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"KALE HAD GIVEN HIS EVIDENCE UNDER POLICE PRESSURE"

"Even If There Was Conspiracy, Gopal Godse Was Completely Out Of It," Says Inamdar

RED FORT, December 29 (UPI)—Continuing his arguments in the Special Court of Mr. Atma Charan trying Nathuram Godse and others this morning Mr. P. L. Inamdar submitted that Karkare could not be described as a thin-built man, though he certainly had small eyes and wheatish complexion. The behaviour of this witness in the Court and before the polive very clearly established that he did not see the person who had talked with Chotturam and a wrong identity had been thrust on him.

The fact of these Birla House witnesses having been put up for identification at a date much later than expected should also be viewed with proper caution and the only reason that could be assigned for it was that the police felt very nervous with this concocted story. They saw the accused at Birla House on January 20 but were put up for identification as late as March 30 and 31.

Witness Bhur Singh also referred, Mr. Inamdar added, to another photographer who was actually present in the prayer ground when Madanlal was apprehended. Mr. Shahani, First Class Magistrate also referred to one Babu Ram Gupta of the Hindusthan Times Process Department. It was quite possible that this Babu Ram Gupta talked with Chottu Ram and the police took advantage of this fact in concocting a story prejudical to the accused.

The Judge: My impression was that this photographer was one of the persons who rushed to the spot of the bomb explosion along with the military havildar who in fact caught hold of Madanlal.

Mr. Inamdar: Things would have been easy if he was produced in the Court.

Judge: I do not think that would have gone very far in proving your contention.

Mr. Inamdar: I would urge upon Your Honour that Bhur Singh should not be believed to draw any adverse inference against my client.

"MANAGER IDENTIFIES GOPAL GODSE."

Referring to the evidence of Ram Prakash, Manager of the Frontier Hindu Hotel, Mr. Inamdar said that he had deposed about Gopal Godse's stay in the hotel on the evening of January 20. He said that Gopal came to this hotel at about 4 o'clock when he was placed in room No. 2 He again saw Gopal at about 9 p.m., when he came out to hear the news in the radio Gopal had ultimately left the hotel next morning at about 8 a.m. In the hotel register, the entry was shown as Raja Gopalan and a hand-writing expert had certified the entry to be in the hand of Gopal Godse. This manager had also identified Gopal Godse on March 24. Mr. Inamdar laid particular stress on this date and said that it should be remembered that on this particular day complaints were lodged with Mr. Brown, identifying magistrate, that some of the Delhi witnesses had been shown the accused persons.

Mr. Inamdar referred to various complaints made by the police in the register itself against this hotel and its manager. This was also a very cheap sort of hotel. Before giving any credit to the evidence of this witness, the fact of the police complaints, type of the hotel and its manager should be taken into consideration, Mr. Inamdar added.

ENTRIES IN HOTEL REGISTER.

Another entry in the register along with that of Raja Gopalan showed the name of G. M. Joshi. But there was nothing on record to show that Raja Gopalan and G. M. Joshi knew each other Moreover, the entries were in two different inks—one in black and the other in blue inks.

Mr. Inamdar pointed out various other entries in the register with similar discrepancies and said that entries in this particular hotel register should not be treated as of any special significance, specially with regard to Gopal Godse.

It should again be noted that room No. 2, which was said to have been allotted to Raja Gopalan was, according to the register, not actually vacant.

"ILLEGAL PROCEDURE."

Referring to the evidence of Godbole and Kale, Mr. Inamdar said that the procedure of the recovery of revolver from Gopal Godse was illegal in the sense that no 'panch' witnesses were called before the police went to search for the revolver. He also said that Godbole and Kale were detained in police custody and no value should be attached to their evidence because their evidence was under police pressure.

Referring to the evidence of the witnesses Govindrao Malekar and Vasant Joshi, Mr. Inamdar said that by reasonable interpretation of Malekar's evidence he was entitled to adduce that what Malekar meant by saying that a male visitor came to see Godse at 9 p.m. on January 25 or 26, at the Elphinstone Annexe Hotel, was that the male visitor came to see Godse at 9 p.m. on January 25, because taking all other factors into consideration there was no suggestion that it should be on any other day. He also submitted that if it was a doubtful point it was the duty of the prosecution to have examined him properly.

THANA MEETING ON JAN. 25.

Mr. Inamdar further submitted that Vasant Joshi did not say in his evidence anything about Gopal Godse. G. M. Joshi, his father, urged Mr. Inamdar, should have been put up as a witness by the prosecution. He further said that the prosecution had suggested that a meeting took place at G. M. Joshi's place at Thana on January 25 between Nathuram Godse, Apte, Karkare and Gopal Godse, in furtherence of the conspiracy with a view to decide about the act of January 30. His submission was that the meeting did not decide as to who should leave for Delhi. Nathuram Godse and Apte had already purchased tickets to leave for Delhi on January 27. Even if there was a conspiracy, Gopal Godse was completely out of it, because his subsequent conduct did not speak of anything in pursuance of the conspiracy.

Giving a "resume" of the khaki bag, Mr. Inamdar said that this bag appeared to him to be that bag which Badge was said to have carried right from Poona to Birla House with his stuff. The mention of this bag came in Badge's statement. But a reference about Gopal Godse's bag was given when Badge in his statement said that Shanker went to Hindu Mahasabha to bring the oil and knife from 'Gopal's bag' to repair the revolver.

The canvas bag which was stated to have been recovered from Gopal Godse, Mr. Inamdar submitted, actually belonged to Badge and it was now being foisted upon Gopal Godse. Badge's house was not searched after his arrest. Had his house been searched the bag might have been recovered. The lock-up register wherein the entry about this bag was made, was not produced before the Court, Mr. Inamdar added. He requested that the evidence concerning the bag should be rejected in toto.

LEAVE APPLICATION.

Mr. Inamdar then dealt with the leave application of Gopal Godse and said that two inferences could be drawn from this, the application was made for going to Delhi or for going to Uksan to enjoy his leave. According to the prosecutor, this leave was taken by Gopal for going to Delhi, but in fact it was taken by Gopal for going to Uksan as had been asserted by him in his statement. The burden of proving, Mr. Inamdar added, that Gopal was in Delhi lay on the prosecution and not on the defence. Mere production of register of the frontier Hindu Hotel did not prove Gopal's presence in Delhi. Regarding non-production of Baburao Dhamankar as witness before the court, he said that it was the duty of the prosecution to produce him By his absence from the court, prosecution had led the way to establish that Gopal was actually at Uksan and not at Delhi.

VISIT TO SAVARKAR SADAN.

Regarding Apte, Nathuram and Badge's visit to Savarkar Sadan, Mr. Inamdar said that a falsehood was sandwitched between the truth and falsehood. Moverover there was no corroborative witness to establish this fact in the absence of which the court was not bound to accept this story merely on the evidence of Badge.

Mr. Inamdar said that no inference should be drawn against Gopal Godse just because Nathuram had assigned a policy to his wife. It was done merely for the consideration of Gopal's children, Nathuram himself being a bachelor.

He then turned to the case against Dr. Parchure who was the founder of the Hindu Sabha at Gwalior and said that by staging demonstrations against the Congress Government at Gwalior he had incurred their displeasure. After his arrest, emissaries were sent to Delhi and ultimately he was handed over to the Delhi police without observing any formality as was required under the law.

Referring to the evidence of Gartua and Jumma, tongawalas of Gwalior who took Nathuram and Apte from the station to the residence of Dr. Parchure, Mr. Inamdar said that they contradicted each other. One said that he told the other to take one rupee as fare from the passengers and the other contradicted by saying that he was not told so and took the fare of one rupee.

Moreover, Gariba deposed that the passengers came to Gwalior by the Bombay Express. All these together, he added, created serious suspicion and the court should not rely on the evidence of these witnesses.

Referring to the evidence of witness Jagadish Goyal, Mr. Inamdar said that it was stated that the pistol with which Nathuram Godse assassinated Gandhiji belonged to Jagadish Chandra Goyal. This witness, he said, was not at all produced before even any magistrate since his arrest at Jhansi. His movements were restricted by police and Mr. Inamdar was entitled to infer that Jagadish Goyal was in police custody till the day he was produced before the Court.

"UNDER POLICE PRESSURE".

Mr. Inamdar said that Madhukar Kale had also given his evidence under police pressure. It pained him to cross-examine that witness for he was telling many lies. Kale was stopped from going to Dr. Parchure's house from May 19. What induced Kale to enter Parchure's house on the day Nathuram Godse and Apte were there, he coud not understand. The only inference that he could draw, added Mr. Inamdar, was that Madhukar Kale did not go to Parchure's house and that his evidence was unbelievable.

The Court then adjourned till tomorrow.

GURUSWAMY MEETS TRANSPORT MINISTER

MADRAS, Dec. 29 (API): Mr. S. Guruswami, General Secretary of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation, had an interview with India's Transport Minister Mr. N. Gopalaswami Iyengar, last evening. The discussion is understood to have ranged round the points of disputes between railwaymen and the Government and is stated to be of an exploratory character.

Mr. Guruswami has been invited to participate in the talk at Bombay on January 3 and 4 between the Transport Minister and Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, President of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation.

It is understood that the issues raised by Mr. Jai Prakash Narain in his letter to Pandit Nehru and the latter's reply thereto are likely to form part of the discussions at Bombay next week between the Transport Minister and the Leaders of the A.I.R.F.

PROMINENT KENYA INDIAN DEAD

Former President Of East African Indian Congress

NAIROBI, Dec. 29 (Reuter): The veteran Indian political Shamsud deen, one of Kenya's oldest settlers, died today aged 66.

Born in the Punjab, he came to Kenya in 1900. He was a former President of the East African Indian National Congress and for 25 years a member of the Kenya Legislature.

EX-PREMIER OF JAPAN ON BAIL

TOKYO, Dec. 29 (Reuter): Former Prime Minister Hitoshi Ashida was released on bail today.

He had been detained in prison since his arrest on December 7.

He was indicted on December 16 on a charge of having received large bribes in connection with the Showa Denko Fertiliser scandal involving 2,700,000,000 yen.

Cardinal's Arrest Causes Anxiety In Eire

DUBLIN, Dec. 28 (Reuter): Mr. Sean Macbaide, Eire's Minister for External Affairs, in a telegram to the Hungarian Foreign Minister tonight said he felt bound to make known the "grave anxiety which the announcement of Cardinal Mindszenty's arrest has occasioned in Eire".

It would be greatly appreciated, he said, if a representative of the Irish Government could visit the Cardinal.

SHEEP BREEDING FARM AT POONA

Press representatives visited the Government Agricultural farms at Poona

ENRICHING BOMBAY'S RURAL LIFE

Government's All-Out Drive For Improving Farming & Allied Occupations

(BY K. R. SUNDAR RAJAN—Our Staff Reporter)

INTENSIVE AND EXPERIMENTAL RESEARCH IN SEVERAL BRANCHES OF AGRICULTURE, CARRIED ON BY THE BOMBAY GOVERNMENT IN THE PAST YEAR, HAS YIELDED RICH DIVIDENDS IN IMPROVED STRAINS OF CEREALS, FINER TYPES OF WOOL-BEARING SHEEP AND EGG-LAYING POULTRY, EFFECTIVE METHODS OF INSECT PEST-EXTERMINATION AND LUXURIANT VARIETIES OF GRASS AND LEGUMES FOR FODDER-STARVED CATTLE.

A hurried two-day tour of the Government's agricultural development centres in and around Poona by a party of Bombay journalists showed that progress has been achieved in all the vital spheres and helped to high light results hitherto unnoticed.

MODERN METHODS

At the same time all the talent at the disposal of the Department of Agriculture is being harnessed for helping the backward and tradition-bound agriculturists to adopt modern methods of cultivation with improved implements and fertilisers, while no less than 200 tractors will be available shortly for land-reclamation and the best meteorological advice placed at their service. A two-year course in agriculture is being taught to nearly seventy students— mostly sons of farmers — at the year-old Agricultural School at Manjri, eight miles from Poona, forming part of a post-war reconstruction scheme envisaging the establishment of twelve such centres for turning out 1,200 "Village Guides" every year. More advanced instruction is being given at the 310-acre College of Agriculture where intensive research is being carried on by a staff of 30 under the direction of Mr. L. S. S. Kumar who believes that in the single sphere of evolving improved strains of cereals alone a striking balance sheet could be produced in the not distant future, even without taking into consideration already stabilised results in such fields as pest-control, agricultural meteorology and fruit-grafting.

BETTER STRAINS

In the course of a day-long tour of the Agricultural College estate, newspapermen were shown the products of research on eleven varieties of cereal, pulse and oil-seed crop which include rice, wheat, "bajri", gram, cotton and ground-nut. In every case the improved strains, it was said, possess one or more special advantages, such as higher yield, better quality of grain, attractive colour etc. As a result of the "Seed Multiplication Scheme" 3,000 to 4,000 pounds of quality seeds are supplied to agriculturists through the Poona farm, whose work is supplemented by thirty other research centres spread all over the province. The best plants are selected after prolonged investigation and these undergo the most rigid tests before being declared suitable for seed multiplication. An officer at the farm said that in some cases this process took as long as seven years.

BATTLE AGAINST PESTS

The shortage of food and the need to raise production have highlighted the work of the Entomological Section of the College which is devoting more attention to insecticidal control on advanced lines. It was said that an estimated 35,000 tons of food grains can be saved annually from destruction by disease-bearing insects like grasshoppers, beetles, crabs, hairy caterpillars, borers, field rats, white ants and weevils. The Deccan wingless grasshoppers alone might cause an annual loss of nearly Rs. 24 lakhs, while the "jowar" stem borers, operating in Deccan and Karnatak, are calculated to be responsible for damage two-and-one-half times that amount.

The Department advises combating these pests by chemicals but in cases like the sugar-cane stem borer, responsible in several instances for uprooting as much as 30 per cent of the plantations, biological control by utilisation of egg parasites Trichogramma Minutum was found cheap, practicable and easy to work. Normally 1,00,000 parasites per acre are considered sufficient to exterminate the borers and their cost of production in the laboratory has been estimated at about Rs. 6 per acre. Recently, the pest control official stated, millions of these were multiplied in test tubes in the entomological research section and let loose in pest-infested sugarcane plantations, with notably beneficial effects.

KILLING THE WEEDS

The destruction of an endless variety of weeds which hold up the growth of plants has also been the subject of serious research in the College where experiments are being conducted for controlling them by chemical methods. Plants of the grass family like rice, wheat, jowar and sugarcane, it was found out, are not harmed by these chemical applications which act as "selective" weed-killers. The Economic Botany section is also focussing attention on the reclamation of over-grazed grasslands and breeding superior forage grasses and legumes. Work on the latter project has just begun and the preliminary efforts consist of introduction and acclimatization of superior exotic grasses and legumes and selection within the scope of the available indigenous material. Seeds of these selected varieties are also multiplied and stocked for distribution to agriculturists.

BETTER FRUIT.

The 73-year-old Ganeshkhind Experiment Station at Kirkee, reputedly the oldest of the agricultural farms owned by the Bombay Government, is the seat of a Horticultural Training Class which, since its inception in 1938, has produced more than 400 trained horticulturists. Improve strains of guava, pomegranates and papaya and new methods of budgrafting and topgrafting of mango have been perfected, Dr. Gandhi, head of the Horticultural Section, explained to journalists, who were shown the extensive garden and the botanical sections which include a good plant conservatory and a shade tree nursery which supplied tree seedlings to the public free of cost for planting on Independence Day. It was stated that under the post-war reconstruction scheme, plant nurseries are being established and attached to the schools of agriculture in each district with the objetc of supplying reliable grafts to the growers, while an 'advisory staff" will be maintained to visit the fruit growing areas and render advice to growers on the spot.

TRACTORS AT WORK.

Mr. R. S. Basrur, Mechanical Cultivation Engineer to the Goevrnment, told pressmen on the second day of the tour, that the operations of the 102 tractors at his disposal were mainly confined to deep ploughing for eradication of weeds like "harihali" and the reclamation of waste lands. The tractors operated on a district basis and in the ploughing season of 1948-49 Dharwar has been allotted the largest the largest number (13) of the machines, with Belgaum, Ahmednagar and Sholapur following. In 1947-48 the Section reclaimed 300 acres at Indoor (Karwar district) and it was hoped about 1,200 acres would be brought under cultivation when the project is completed. A two-months Tractor Divers Training Course has been started and the Engineer said the response was satisfactory.

SHEEP BREEDING.

Cross-breeding of sheep species for yielding superior wool is being carried on, on an experimental scale, at the Sheep Breeding Research Station, which functions under the auspices of the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research. Visiting newspapermen were told by its head, Mr. S. S. Khot, that recently projects for expanding the work of the farm had been launched in nine districts of eastern Bombay Deccan where the sheep and wool industry formed an important rural occupation. At present, the existing centres were making available 350 to 500 ramps per year for distribution but when the new scheme fully took shape it was expected that the farms would be able to produce 2 to 3,000 rams for intensifying the sheep improvement drive

A plan for developing better woolled breeding stock, typical of particular areas and suited to local conditions, is also being undertaken. Simultaneously, exotic breeds of sheep, other than the Merino, will be bred with the object of producing new types which can be economically maintained by the farmers. The problem of converting the new wools into attractive saleable products is also receiving attention at the utilisation branch of the Sheep Breeding Farm. Trials for evolving suitable methods of blending, spinning and dyeing with vegetable products are being carried out.

POULTRY FARMING.

Breeding of acclimatized pure-bred exotic poultry, distribution of the progeny of these birds in urban and rural areas and experiments on cross breeding countdy hen with foreign cocks form the three-fold object of the Government Poultry Farm which is now experimenting on the White-Leghorn, Rhode Island Red and Black Minorca breeds. The introduction of a Mediterranean and a French breed are being contemplated. Research on idigenous varieties for achieving larger yield of eggs have been successful.

The Director of the Farm stated that it had been planned to establish 17 poultry-breeding farms for useful breeds at suitable places. To give effect to this Government have sanctioned in the first instance five poultry farms at Nasik, Surat, Satara, Sangola and Arbhavi. All of these, except the Surat centre, are in the process of being built and will start functioning shortly. It has also been decided to keep a small flock of poultry at each of the Agricultural Schools in the province to train the students in poultry farming. An officer of the Farm has been deputed for training in the United States of America and will concern himself with the problem of increased egg and meat production.

New Egyptian Government

Hadi Pasha Named Premier

CAIRO, Dec. 28, (U.P.A.): Ibrahim Abdel Hadi Pasha, chief of the Royal Cabinet was named Premier today to replace assassinated Nokrashy Pasha and it was officially anounced that he had succeeded in forming a new Government.

Abdel Hadi was once the vice-president of the Sudanese Party of which Nokrashy Pasha was president and kept his post as second in command until King Farouk appointed him chief of the Royal Cabinet. He then resigned from the party and because independent. He had also held foreign ministry and other cabinet portfolios.

He was also a staunch youth leader during Egypt's national movement following the first World War.

He was born in 1896 in northern Egypt's Dakhlia province and his schooling included law college.

It was learned reliably, but unofficially, that Abdel Hadi had kept largely the same setup as the Nokrashy government with Foreign Minister Ahmed Khashaba Pasha the only cabinet member dropped. He was reportedly replaced by Communications Minister Ibrahim Dessouki Abazah Pasha who served as acting Foreign Minister while Khashaba headed the United Nations delegation at Paris. The Communications post will be held by Abdel Memguid Ibrahim Saleh Pasha, the only new member in the government apart from the Premier.

Abdel Hadi, like his predecesor, will hold the Finance and Interior portfolios.

Egyptian politicians believe that Communist agents have been prodding various members of the Muslim Brotherhood to develop this terroristic line of action.

The new Government will have two problems the Palestine war which has become a flight betwen the Jews and the Egyptians with the other Arabs as onlookers and the Anglo-Egyptian dispute which sooner or later must be tackled to work out a solution of the Sudan deadlock and the question of evacuation of British troops from the Suez Canal zone.

The Arab League Secretariat, announcing Nokrashy Pasha's death to the Arab world, tonight mourned him as the former bulwark of the League. It said: "Nokrashy Pasha was at the vanguard of Arab leaders who founded the Arab League and participated in consolidating its structure from the first day of its struggle for Arab unity."

"PRINCES PLAYED THEIR PART WELL"

V. P. Menon On Sardar's Achievement

JUNAGADH, Dec. 29 (UPI).—"But for my Minister, Sardar Patel, I would have achieved nothing. I only carried out his orders," said Mr. V. P. Menon, Adviser to the States Ministry, Government of India, who is at present here, addressing the students at the Bahauddin College, Junagadh.

Mr. Menon traced in detail how the Government of India tackled the problem of States in the face of many difficulties and added that the Indian Princes had played their part nobly and well, after the achievement of freedom.

Making a particular reference to Junagadh, Mr. Menon observed: When Pakistan knew that all the States were with us, they wanted divisions in Junagadh and Hyderabad. But all their efforts were in vain and those two States found their rightful place in the structure of the New and Resurgent India."

In conclusion, he advised the students to be disciplined and added: "Gandhiji has given you self-respect and the Sardar has taught you what to and how to achieve."

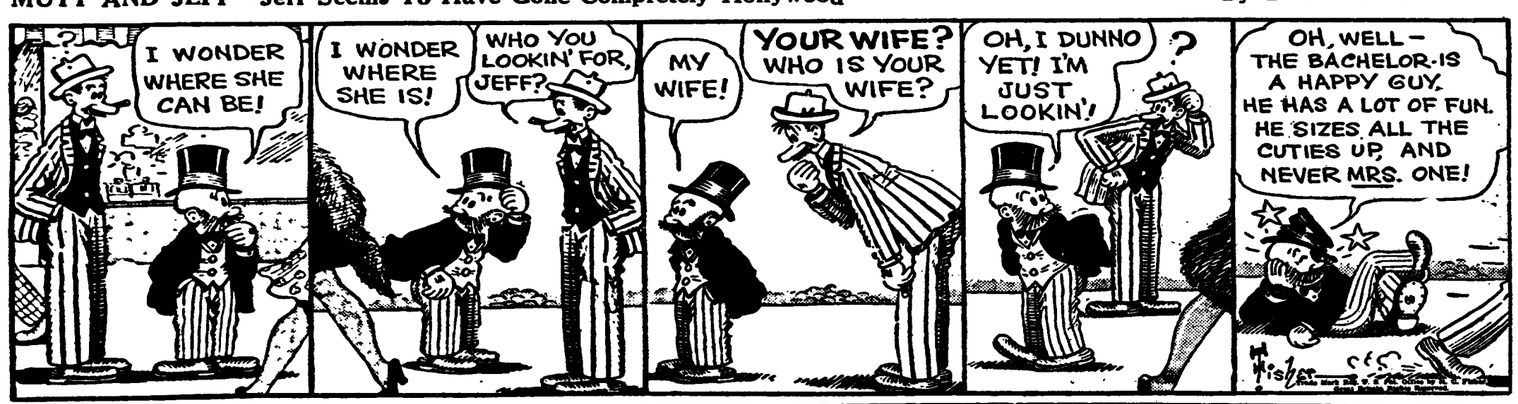
CARDINAL REPUDIATES HUNGARIAN CHARGES

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (Reuter): Cardinal Spellman, archbishop of New York, branded as false tonight, the statements made about him by the Hungarian Ministry of the Interior after the arrest of the Hungarian Primate, Cardinal Mindszenty.

Cardinal Spellman's statement was given out by the offices of the Archdiocese of New York.

MUTT AND JEFF—Jeff Seems To Have Gone Completely Hollywood

By BUD FISHER



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OUR MADRAS LETTER

LABOUR WELFARE, RURAL UPLIFT & REFUGEE REHABILITATION

Review Of Indian Conference Of Social Service

(From Our Own Correspondent)

MADRAS (By Air Mail): The annual session of the Indian Conference of Social Service, which has just closed a successful session in Madras, discussed three subjects of current interest—Rural Development and Welfare, Refugee Rehabilitation and Welfare in Industry. Mr J C. Kumarappa Dr. L. C. Jain and Mr. V V Giri, India's High Commissioner in Ceylon, respectively presided over the three Sectional Committees dealing with these three subjects Mr. Kumarappa, in the course of his address, stressed the importance of rural welfare centering round the welfare of the agriculturist and agriculture industry The committee recommended introduction of controls with regard to all articles essential for agricultral operations and not only with regard to food grains, the development of cottage industries which will be of direct use and help to the agriculturist, the introduction of a comprehensive adult Education Scheme for the villagers and the improvement of village school conditions

REFUGEE PROBLEM

Dr. L C Jain, emphasized in his address the need for the refugee problem being tackled on a comprehensive basis and for the elimination of the defects due to lack of co-ordination between the Central and provincial and States Governments The section recommended the constitution of a Joint Rehabilitation Board with representatives of the Central, provincial and States Governments to ensure such co-ordination and also the need to give a high priority to private social service agencies in helping the settlement of refugees

In the Welfare in Industry Section, the Conference made the important recommendation that provision of housing in industrial areas should involve also provision for proper and adequate community life such as recreation, entertainment, shopping facilities, education etc The idea of segregating particular communities of the population, like workers or Harijans, from other communities, should be given up The Conference also made it clear that in the field of Social Welfare and the starting of health insurance, the responsibility should be shared equally by the State and the industry and that the latter should provide such facilities as creches for Workers' children, canteens and facilities for rest and recreation. It also recommended the appointment of Personnel Officers in all industries of any considerable size and the starting of an institute for training persons for Personnel Officers In a general recommendation the Conference urged on provincial and Central Governments to organize Departments of Social Service to co-ordinate the social service activities of the various departments and that they should arrange for refresher courses for the members of the Civil Service who are dealing with social welfare projects

FINANCIAL STRINGENCY AND NATION-BUILDING WORK

That financial stringency of the Government has necessitated the curtailment of expenditure on nation-building activities like provision and extension of educational facilities, health and sanitation was emphasized by Raj Kumari Amrit Kaur, India's Health Minister in an interview in Madras. While in the case of previous Governments, the will to spend on nation-building activities was lacking though money was there, when national governments have been formed at the Centre and in the provinces, though they had the will, the funds necessary were lacking. According to the Rajkumari, health was of paramount importance and until national health is substantially bettered no grand plans for the industrialisation of the country could succeed Then again we cannot have health without more food. "We want a Leprosy Research Institute. We want to up-grade the standard of medical education. We must have more nursing personnel. We want colonies for persons suffering from tuberculosis and leprosy" said Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, who also emphasized the importance of having a Medical Research Institute in India, which would impart post-graduate instruction to our young men within the country itself and without the need for sending them abroad for such training.

WORKING OF THE U.N.O.

In an address at Madras on the working of the United Nations Organisation, Mr. Lietgaber, Director of the U. N. Information Centre at New Delhi, said that the whole basis of the U.N.O. was its utility as an instrument for establishing World Peace. But the instruments, he said, could serve its purpose only when it had the full sanction of public opinion behind it. The U.N.O. had very little original powers to use sanctions for the enforcement of its decisions. What was needed at present was for people everywhere to develop an international mind and to grow up as world citizens, and ex- schemes for education in every country must be governed by the need to create this international mind. Mr Leitgaber's exposition of the function of the U.N.O was clear and precise but the impression persists after hearing him whether, in view of the fundamental draw-back of the organization, namely, its inability to enforce sanctions of any kind, its capacity for proving useful as a guarantor of world peace is not seriously compromised.

AERIAL SURVEY OF ESTATES

The Madras Government intend following in the footsteps of some other provincial governments such as the United Provinces Government in carrying out an aerial survey of agricultural land in connction with the re-settlement of Zamindari estates on a ryotwari basis. It is pointed out that such a survey from air would facilitate and expedite the re-settlement work of Zamindari estates which are to be converted into ryotwari tracts The Zamindari system is prevalent in nearly one third of the province and in the ordinary course, it would take seven to eight years to complete the survey and resettlement. The success of the aerial survey method has to be tested from actual experience, but if it is possible, to derive the advantages claimed for it, then the experiment is worth pursuing.

MUSLIM PILGRIMS AT SIRHIND

Pleased To See Roba Shariff And Lal Masjid Intact

AMBALA, Dec 29, (API): The Muslim pilgrims at Sirhind continued their prayers in peaceful surroundings today, the second day of their pilgrimage to the mausoleum of Shart Sheikh Ahmed Mujalid Naqshbandhi Alf Sani, a place of pilgrimage to Muslims, particularly from Afghanistan.

Contrary to expection no pilgrim from any foreign country other than Pakistan had come so far

Major General Abdul Rehman, Deputy High Commission for Pakistan in India is arriving in Sirhind today The Patila State Union is treating the Major General as a State guest

Refuting interested propaganda carried among people of Western Pakistan and beyond borders of the N.W.F.P. Province that the mausoleum had been razed to the ground during the communal disturbances last year the pilgrims told a press party. "We are highly pleased to have come here and seen with our own eyes the Roba Sharif intact" Lal Masjid is also intact, they said.

Pattabhi Delegation For Burma

MADRAS, Dec. 29 (UPI): The unofficial Indian delegation to Burma under the leadership of Dr. Pattabhi Sitharamayya, Congress President, is now expected to leave for Burma in the second week of February next, and not on January 10 as previously scheduled The postponement has been necessitated, it is learnt, to suit the convenience of the Burmese Premier.

Rationing Of Houses

KARACHI, Dec. 29 (API): The bill to amend the Sind Rent Restriction Act of 1947, to give powers to the Government to enforce rationing of houses was passed by the Pakistan Parliament today.

Petrol Famine In Surat Continues

SURAT, Dec. 29, (API): Petrol 'famine' is continuing in the city and long queues of motor cars, both private and public, are filing up before the main petrol pumping stations in the city.

The District Magistrate of Surat has by an order issued today asked the agents not to issue petrol on petrol coupons, receipts and special permits.

EXPORT OF MANGANESE ORE

NEW DELHI, Dec. 29 (API)—Export licence for managanese ore will only be issued in favour of parties who have exported ore in the past and in favour of mines, under finalised procedure for the export of this ore announces a Ministry of Commerce press note today.

The issue of licences to eligible parties, states the press note, will be in accordance with the contracts entered into by them with buyers in importing countries. Quotas for each importing country will be announced by the Government of India from time to time and all contracts must be within the quotas fixed by government.

Out of a quota of 25,000 tons for Germany there is a balance of 13,000 tons available for immediate licensing. Licences will be issued to parties who produce evidence of a contract with the joint export and import agency, Frankfurt.

It has been arranged that with effect fom first February 1949, priority allotment of wagons by the railway administrations will be confined to parties who hold export licences, the press note adds.

Shri J. Daulatram To Deliver Convocation Address

(From Our Correspondent)
JUBBULPORE, Dec. 29.

The second convocation of the Saugor University will be held at Sugor on January 15, 1949, and the Hon. Shri Jairamdas Doulatram, Minister for Food, Government of India, has been requested to deliver the address.

Shri Jairamdas Doulatram is visiting the Saugor district in the second week of January to inaugurate the tractor's scheme at Patharia, about 20 miles off Damoh.

It is gathered that the election of the Chancellor and of the Vice-Chancellor of the Saugor University will also be held on the occasion of the convocation. These two offices are being held at present by Pundit Ravi Shankar Shukla, Premier C. P. and Berar and Dr. Sir Hari Singh Gour-the founder of the University, respectively.

It is reported that Shri Govind Das, MCA. is a candidate for the office of the vice-Chancellor.

AVERTING RAILWAY STRIKE

Transport Minister's Hope Of Amicable Settlement

MADRAS, Dec. 29. (A.P.I.): "During the next few days I will do all that I can to avert not merely a strike but taking of a strike ballot among railwaymen" declared Mr. N. Gopalaswami Ayyangar, Minister for Transport, Government of India, addressing a joint meeting of the Southern India and Andhra Chambers of Commerce here this evening.

"That will be my endeavour and I hope I will succeed" said Mr. Ayyangar. He was sure that the mercantile community would give all possible assistance to him in the matter and persuade labour to take the correct attitude so that an amicable settlement could be reached.

Referring to the ensuing discussions between himself and representatives of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation to be held in Bombay, the Transport Minister said "I am going to carry on my talks with Mr. Jai Prakash Narain on the footing that the problems that confront him and me confront the country as a whole, and these problems will be tackled from the point of view of both the economic and social welfare of the workers."

"DRIVE AGAINST CORRUPTION"

As most members of the public are aware the Anti-Corruption Branch of the Greater Bombay Police has done and is doing a great deal in furtherance of Government's drive against corrupt elements in the various Public Services and departments.

Many "Augean Stables" of corruption and dishonesty in public bodies have been cleansed in the course of this drive and it may with some confident, be claimed that "Systematic" corruption has considerably diminished.

If occasional bribery still persists, it is mainly a result of encouragement by that very type of person who ought to have enough civic consciousness to know better, namely the wealthy litigant who is ever ready to believe he can "buy himself out" of the many tight corners of the law, in which he is apt to find himself—and is not slow to flaunt his affluence by making tempting offers to policemen, with the object of tempting them to show him favours to which the law does not entitle him.

This insiduous practice strikes at the very root of the anti-corruption campaign and cannot be too strong-y condemned.

It is desirable that members of the public generally, should understand that the giver of a bribe is also liable to prosecution and punishment and will not be given any quarter if detected.

It is hoped that all right thinking persons who aspire to be worthy of the right to call themselves good citizens of Free India will do all they can to assist in the drive against corruption in all its forms.

A telephone call to No. 24509 or to any of the officers of the Anti Corruption Branch, through the Police Exchange (No. 39811) will evoke immediate and grateful response to all genuine information on this subject.

CEYLON BUDDHIST RELICS FOR INDIA

CALCUTTA, December 29, (U.P.I.): The Government of India are sending a naval ship to Colombo to bring the holy relics of Sri Saripputta Moggalana Arahans from Ceylon The ship will return to Calcutta on January 12, 1949, with the relics and the arrival will be announced by a round of fire.

The Government of India, it is learnt, have extended invitations to the Nawab of Bhopal and to different Buddhist countries including China, Tibet, Sikkim, Bhutan, etc.

DELHI DENIES PAKISTAN PRESS REPORTS

NEW DELHI, Dec. 29, (UPI): "The attention of the Government of India has been drawn to certain reports in the Pakistan Press alleging that the Government of India have refused facilities to the Hazrat Sahib of Sher Bazar for his proposed visit to Sirhind. These reports are entirely without foundation," says a Press Note issued today.

"True To Life" Film Apparatus

THE HAGUE: Dr. F. H. Reynders Dutch scientist from Delft, claims to have produced stereoscopic cinemotograph films which give a "true to life" impression of depth while remaining in force at any distance.

Dr. Reynders' method, the result of 20 years' research is to use two cameras, geared together and working on a turntable

The films, seen through two small lenses of polarised glass, are projected from one camera with the picture for each eye printed alternatively on the strip

It is intended to introduce them into Dutch cinemas shortly. Some years ago three dimensional films were shown in England, but they had to be seen through uses two cameras which restict the focal distance to about six yards.

Issue Of Bank Notes Increased In Japan

TOKYO, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The Bank of Japan increased its bank note issue by 12.507 million yen (about £12,500,000) yesterday, setting a new record in the banks history and bringing the total note issue to 350,558 million yen.

Bank authorities had set 33,000 million yen as the limit for this quarter.

The rise is attributed to end of year settlements and Government payments.

Curfew Extended In Indore

INDORE, Dec. 29, (A. P. I.): Curfew has been extended another 24 hours till tomorrow eight a.m.

The city had already been under curfew since 12 noon yesterday for 30 hours.

DUTCH TO END WAR IN JAVA ON DEC. 31

(Continued from Page 1.)

was asked to cease hostilities immediately. That was as far back as December 24. To-day, on the 29th the Dutch say "hostilities are in the course of being terminated."

"It is not in response to the resolution of the Security Council that hostilities are being terminated. There is not the slightest desire to accede to the wishes of the Security Council, but it appears that as a result of their military operations and authority, no further military operations would be necessary in Java

Mr. Desai, speaking with great emotion, asked "have they released the prisoners or not? Are they free men? Will their activities be free? These men have a much greater sense of self-respect than you give them credit for.

"They will not agree to refrain from their political activities.

"The conscience of the universe and the hopes of peoples are centred on you, the Security Council, and one of the members of the United Nations refuses to carry out your instructions.

"Your dignity depends on this.

"I hope sincerely that the small, lingering hopes still remaining in the minds of the people of the world, that public peace will one day be established are not vain hopes.

"CALL AGGRESSOR TO ORDER"

M. Jakob Malik (Soviet Union) declared: "We must call the unbridled aggressor to order.

"The aggressor wants two or three days more to give the "coup de" grace to his victim. He had not finished his black task. He comes and makes a cynical statement to the Security Council in the hope of getting away with it."

"The prisoners will remain free", M. Malik said, "so long as they do not engage in 'subversive activity'. That means that they will be put right—back in jail tomorrow. "Our resolution demanded that the release be unconditional.

"Will the Anglo-American majority in the Council be prepared now to adopt measures against the Netherlands, or is the majority determined to aid and abet aggression?".

Dr. Phillip Jessup (United States), who looked tired and pale, said neither of the Security Council resolutions had been complied with, and expressed disappointment with the "unsatisfactory" nature of Van Royen's statement.

He added: "But I Do not agree that the Security Council has failed".

Dr. Hsia (China) said: "My delegation is of the opinion that no useful purpose could be served by any further discussion of the Indonesian question in Paris.

"My delegation, therefore, does not propose to make any comments at this time, reserving its entire position until discussion of the matter is resumed at Lake Success."

"DUTCH MAY LIQUIDATE REPUBLIC"

Col. William Hodgson (Australia) said he found "few if any positive points of compliance in the Dutch statement".

"It is clearly presentation, so far as military action is concerned, of a "fait accompli", he added.

Col. Hodgson said Australia feared that when the Security Council met again in January, there would be at that time not only a "fait accompli" but "complete liquidation of the Republic".

Referring to the cease-fire resolution, Col. Hodgson said he did not describe this as non-compliance but as violation by the Netherlands.

"COUNCIL HAS FAILED".

"My country" Col. Hodgson said, is not unfriendly to the Netherlands who are our closest neighbours.

"We see the destruction of hope in the world. We see it largely in the failure of the Security Council. My Government and delegation feels this Council has failed in this particular case."

'FLOUTING U.N. CHARTER'.

"There is a case which before all others wants quick, decisive and effective action. My delegation hopes that before the rot goes too far, we will have, when it comes before you again and in future cases, a little more decision, and a little more good sense, and a little more moral courage."

M. Tarashenko (Ukraine) said, "The Netherlands Government has no intention of complying with the Security Council orders for the release of the political prisoners. If the Netherlands Government refuses to comply, it is clearly and overtly flouting the Charter of the United Nations.

Turning to M. Van Royen, he said: "I say to the Netherlands: Don't you worry. You won't be punished. Just go on with the war."

Closing the session, M. Fernand Van Langenhove said that as the Belgian Representative, he was one of the three members of the Council who would not appear at Lake Success.

The Council then adjourned until January 6 and the huge curtain of the Chaillot National Theatre was lowered on to the stage where the members had been sitting.

M. Van Royen told Reuter afterwards that he thought Dr. Soekarno when he was freed in a few days time, would not be restricted in his activities.

NO FACILITIES FOR U.N. COMMITTEE

BATAVIA, Dec. 29. (Reuter): The United Nations Good Offices Committee in Indonesia reporting to the Security Council again on observance of the new case-fire resolution (of December 24) stated to-day it was in contact only with the Dutch.

The Committee also told the Council: "With no authorisation from the Netherland's authorities for observers to return to the field, and with no permission given to operate the aircraft at its disposal the Committee has no facilities to obtain first-hand information through its own representatives as to the military situation and operations.

The report quoted a letter from Mr. Soedjono, Secretary-General of the Republican Delegation to the Good Offices committee, stating he was not in contact with the Republican Government or with his delegation.

It also quoted a letter from Dr. T. Elink Schurman, Acting Chairman of the Netherlands delegation, stating that the committee's questions about the cease-fire and establishment of contact with Republican officials had been referred to The Hague.

Raw Jute From Pakistan

CALCUTTA CONFERENCE REVIEWS POSITION

CALCUTTA, Dec. 29. (A.P.I.): The Stock position of jute mills in the Indian Dominion and the arrivals of raw jute from Pakistan were reviewed at a joint meeting of the Jute Export Advisory Council and the newly formed Raw Jute Movements Committee held under the chairmanship of Mr. N. R. Sarker, Commerce Minister, Government of West Bengal, in Calcutta to-day.

Mr. K. C. Neogy, Commerce Minister, Government of India, Mr. C. C. Desai, Secretary, and other high officials of the Commerce Ministry were present at the meeting which was attended by representatives of jute mills, balers, shipping interests, railways and the joint steamer companies.

Statistics, which had been collected from the joint steamer companies, other transport organisations, and the land customs authorities, regarding the actual arrivals of jute in the Indian Dominion during the current year were examined by the members. Possible measures to ensure larger and more expeditious movements were also discussed. Figures supplied by the members concerned revealed that a considerable quantity of jute already purchased by the mills were yet to be moved to Calcutta from different buying centres in Eastern Pakistan. Besides, the mills would have to make further purchase of another 12.1/2 lac bales of jute in Pakistan.

An estimate of the total requirements of the Indian mills for the year 1947-48 was provided by the representatives of India Jute Mills Association. While spokesman of the baling industry put forward their claim for a liberal quota of export of raw-jute, members representing the mills continued that their industry deserved to be the first concern of the Government and no such step as might threaten the existence of that industry should be taken.

Cardinal Mindszenty Acquitted

BUDAPEST, Dec. 28 (Reuter): Cardinal Mindszenty, arrested Primate of Hungary, was acquitted by the Hungarian Government of plotting to set up an American-sponsored central European kingdom "after a third world war when Hungary is occupied by western forces."

A Ministry of the Interior communique alleged that the Cardinal had discussed the plan at a secret meeting with Archduke Otto of Hapsburg. Pretender to the Austrian throne, in a Monastery near Chicago and reported on the talk to Cardinal Spellman Archbishop of New York.

It named other leading Royalists and "certain foreign powers" as being involved in the alleged plot to restore the Hapsburg dynasty to the throne.

The communique also disclosed that other leading Hungarian Catholics, including Prince Paul Eszterhazy, Hungary's richest pre-war landowner, had been arrested.

When the Cardinal's house was searched on Christmas eve archives found buried in the cellar included letters in the Cardinal's own handwriting urging the western powers to intervene in Hungary, the communique stated. These archieves were said to have contained reports to certain western powers about Russian troops movements and information about the Soviet Union.

At the secret Chicago meeting, the communique said, "Mindszenty undertook to head an underground royalist organisation and later went to New York to report about this agreement to Cardinal Spellman".

The communique quoted part of what it alleged was the Cardinal's own confession in which he was said to have told the police "my Secretary forwarded a number of polical reports to a foreign legation with my knowledge and agreement".

"On the basis of these archives as well as the confession of the arrested persons", it added, "it has been established that Cardinal Mindszenty, as early as 1945 began organising the Hungarian royalist illegal forces".

Other allegations against the Cardinal were: That he had sold 50,000 American dollars on the Hungarian black market, most of the money having been given to Prince Paul Eszetrhazy; that he wrote a Ministry of a western power asking him to prevent the return to Hungary of the holy crown of Saint Stephen (first King of Hungary) which is now said to be held by the United States forces in Germany; and that he established close personal relations with the Minister of a great power in Budapest "in or to reach his aims".

No Insulting Treatment To Soekarno, Says Dutch Embassy

NEW DELHI, Dec. 29 (API): A Netherlands Embassy spokesman today denied allegations recently made in the Press and elsewhere that President Soekarno of the Republic and his Cabinet Ministers "have met with insulting treatment at the hands of the Netherlands".

The spokesman said: "Official information just received from Batavia emphasises that the President and his assistants have been treated with all courtesy due to their rank. President Soekarno is at present staying in a mountain-resort hotel and is in the best of health".

INDIA'S FIRM DEAL TO R. S. S.

U. S. Newspaper's Appreciation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29: The Louisville, Kentucky, "Curier Journal", in an editorial Tuesday, comments as follows on the arrest of RSS demonstrators by the Indian Government:

"In Delhi the other day discontented Hindus launched a passive-resistance against the Government of India. The Government promptly arrested 160 demonstrators and sentenced 85 to various terms of imprisonment. Similar demonstrations, with similar results, occurred in other cities throughout India.

"Does this sound familiar? It does indeed bring to mind those long years when the late Mahatma Gandhi and his followers used the same weapon of Satyagraha against the British overlords of India, and like the Hindus of Delhi this month, were promptly packed off to jail. Old pukka sahibs and others as thoughtless might sourly observe with smug satisfaction that now, with the British gone, the Indian Government itself must ape its predecessor.

THE DIFFERENCE

"But there is a vast difference nowadays. For one thing, the Indians are masters of their own destiny, and it is not foreign but Indian authority jailing Indian citizens. It may be, as some disinterest observers believe, that the British got out of India too quickly for the Indians' own good, but none can quarrel with the just development that the Indians now govern themselves.

"For another, the Government of India was meting out punishment to citizens demonstrating for something far less justifiable than a demand for freedom. The Hindus it arrested and jailed were members of the Rashtriya Swayam Sevak Sangh, a militant Hindu organization, banned for over 10 months.

"There sin, in the eyes of the Indian Government, was agitating for the communal approach to government (i.e., the Indian equivalent of the Church. State or chur-party as a force in national affairs).

"In the great bloodshed of the communal riots that preceded and followed independence, India had shocking acquaintance with what the communal approach could mean. The present Government of India, still building the foundations of a democratic state, is composed predominatly of Hindus. But it is determined not to be a 'Hindu Government', in a land plentiful with Mohammedans, Parsees, Christians, and Jews, and for its current stand against the danger of a 'Hindu party', and for its decree that communal bodies shall not participate in polities as such, it is to be commended."—USIS.

INDO-YUGOSLAV TRADE PACT SIGNED

Bid To Improve Mutual Economy

CALCUTTA, Dec. 29. (A.P.I.): A trade agreement between representatives of the Government of India and representatives of the Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia was signed in Calcutta to-day.

According to the agreement, both countries agree to an exchange not only of such commodities as are surplus to their economy but those which can be exported at some sacrifice. The underlying idea is to help each other's economy.

Even the small indirect trade which had formerly existed between these two countries was interrupted during the war. It will be recalled that both countries recently agreed to an exchange of diplomatic representatives It was felt that it was an opportune moment for starting direct trade between the two countries.

An eight-man trade delegation from Yugoslavia arrived in Delhi early in December and has been in constant conference with officers of the various ministers concerned under the auspices of the Ministry of Commerce. As a result, an agreement has been reached which is subject to ratification by both governments and is expected to come into force early in January.

TERMS OF AGREEMENT.

The schedules which specify commodities intended for exchange are to be reviewed from year to year in the light of the general covering clause. Payment for goods will at present be in Sterling; but it is hoped that arrangements will be made in the near future for making payments either in Indian or in Yugoslav currency or in both.

Under the agreement, Yugoslavia will make exports allocations of maize, calcium carbide, tea-chests, newsprint, plywood, cement, and asebstos-cement among other commodities. India, on her part, will make export allocations of cotton, textiles, jute-goods, tea, coffee, pepper, spices and certain medical herbs and plants. The exact quantity of each of these commodities will be revealed when the trade agreement is published after ratification.

Dr. Mirko Mermolja, Leader of the Yugoslav Delegation, signed the agreement on behalf of his country while Mr. C. C. Desai, Commerce Secretary, signed for India.

BERNARD BARUCH'S RECIPE FOR SUCCESS

NEW YORK. (UPA): Elder statesman Bernard Baruch, 78, gave the young people of the nation his recipe for success.

The principal ingredients he listed were:

Be polite, prepare yourself for whatever you are asked to do, keep yourself tidy, be cheerful, don't be envious, be honest with yourself so you will be honest with others, be helpful, interest yourself in your job, don't pity yourself, be quick to praise be loyal to your friends, avoid prejudices, be independent, interest yourself in politics, and read the newspapers.

Baruch made his suggestions at the New York "Daily Mirror's" sixth annual youth forum.

Calcutta Dockers Boycott Dutch Ships

CALCUTTA, Dec 29 (API): The Calcutta Dockers' Union has decided not to load and unload Dutch vessels calling at Calcutta port, as a protest against the Dutch "police action" in Indonesia.

This however, will not apply to ships carrying food supplies and certain other essential commodities.

Dutch Airlines Change Routes

THE HAGUE, Dec. 28, (Reuter): The Dutch K. L. M. airlines inter-island services will begin today daily return flights from Batavia to Jogjakarta via Semarang, about 70 miles north of Jogjakarta, it was learned here tonight.

K. L. M. services between Holland and Indonesia, suspended last Thursday when India, Pakistan and Ceylon banned its flights over their territories, have not yet been restored.

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON MARCH
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.

Previous Closing	32.30
To-day's Opening	32.31
Difference	+1
Today's Closing	32.36
Difference	+6

LAST QUOTATIONS
BOMBAY, Dec. 29.

Silver Bullion Ready	Rs. 177	2	0
Gold Ready	Rs. 112	8	0
Sovereign	Rs. 73	8	0

NEW YORK STOCKS
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.

New York Stock Exchange Opening Prices:

Anaconda Copper Mining 33-1/4
General Motors 57/78
United States Steel Common unquoted.
United States Steel Preference unquoted.

Karachi Cotton Market

(From Our Correspondent)
KARACHI, Dec. 29.

Cotton ready Sind NT 84-8, Punjab 289-F, 92-8, Four-F 74, New crop NT roller January delivery 83 to 83-8, Sawgin 88 to 88-8. Market quiet but steady with moderate demand.

Yesterday's business totalled about 1777 bales. Arrivals from upcountry 7398 bales, Exports 11209 bales out of which 8709 bales for Bombay rest for Trieste.

Cottonseed NT ready 7-12, do New crop 8-8, Dessi 11-4, Rapeseed 190. Market steadier on account of good demand.

Yesterday's arrivals from upcountry 25311 mds. Exports 22600 bags, out of which 13500 bags for Hull rest for Cutch, Kathiawar and Cochin.

Gold Tejabi 106, Sovereigns 68-8, Silver coins 122. Market steady owing to moderate demand from upcountry.

Stock Exchange: Habib Bank 170, Karachi Electric 128.

Saurashtra Market Quotations

(From Our Correspondent)
RAJKOT, Dec. 29.

Rajkot Silver Maha 176, Rajkot sugar Maha 87-6, Rajkot Aranda Jan. 132-8, Dhoraji Silver Maha 175-14, Dhoraji Arenda Jan. 132-6, Jamnagar Silver Posh 177-8, Jamnagar Aranda Jan. 132-12.

Cutch Hundis

(From Our Correspondent.-
BHUJ, Dec. 29.

Hundi Buying		306
Hundi Selling		307
Gold	Rs.	107 0
Silver	Rs	171 0

Central Bank Of India, Ltd.

CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LTD.

The following is the Statement of Liabilities and Assets of the Central Bank of India, Ltd. for the fortnight dated 15th December :—

LIABILITIES.

	Rs.
Capital Subscribed	5,76,16,700
Capital Paid-up Ordinary Shares	2,61,89,000
Capital Paidlup Ordinary 'A' Shares	52,38,000
	3,14,27,000
Reserve & Other Funds, Reserve Fund	2,55,46,000
Contingency Fund	45,00,000
Sinking Fund in respect of Lands and Buildings	52,92,000
	3,53,38,000
Deposits, Debts due to Bank and Agents Bills Payable, etc	1,34,53,45,000
Sundries including Branch Adjustments	25,60,09,000
Total Rs.	1,66,81,19,000

ASSETS.

	Rs.
Cash Credit and Overdrafts on Government and other Authorised Securities	13,00,66,000
Loans on Government and other Authorised Securities	7,66,43,000
Bills Discounted	7,02,45,000
Lands & Buildings	96,54,000
Sundries including Branch Adjustments	21,82,17,000
Cash in hand, at Banks, Moneys at Call and Investments in War Bonds, —Government Paper, Treasury Bills,—Shares, Debentures, etc.	93,32,94,000
Total Rs.	1,66,81,19,000

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Business MAN'S DIARY

IMPORTS OF FOREIGN CLOTH

During the year 1949 our cotton mills are expected to produce 4,500 million yards of cloth and about 380 million lbs of surplus yarn. After meeting the demand of cottage and home industries, hosiery factories and exports to Pakistan, about 270 million lbs of yarn will be available for hand and power looms which produce about 1250 million yards of cloth. This quantity being insufficient, we are now importing cloth from U. K. and U.S.A. and large orders are placed for Japanese cloth. It will be interesting to note that the country launched a vigorous boycott of foreign cloth but now circumstances have changed. It is said that Japanese quotations are very low but import duty saves our mills from keen competition. However, gray goods will find inroads in this country and will upset the newly imposed control particularly in coarse and medium grades. India still produces large quantity of short staple cotton and unless our mills consume it, foreign cloth of coarse and medium quality will find a ready market in this country.

SIGNS OF A SLUMP

Presiding over the annual general meeting of the Oriental Industrial Investment Corporation Limited Sir Shantidas Askaran said that there were signs that a slump had already started and that steps muct be taken to meet it. He observed that a far-sighted taxation policy was the need of the hour and the short-sighted expedient of meeting expenditure by every means of swelling revenue should be abandoned. He advocates drastic curtailment of Government expenditure both at the Centre and in the provinces. On one side the Government is asked to fight inflation on all fronts while, on the other side, there is the threat of a slump. It is very difficult which one to believe and follow. However, the Finance Minister has made it clear that reports of inflation are exaggerated and the Government's intention is not to lower prices but to stabilise them.

BANK'S DIVIDENDS

All city banks are busy preparing their annual balance sheets and profits and loss accounts. It is generally anticipated most of them will maintain their last year's dividend levels and the first week of this coming year will see crop of dividend declarations by banks. It is true that some small banks did not fare well owing to risky advances to clients but most of the city banks adopted conservative attitude in providing credit facilities and maintained liquid position. However share values of most of the banking concerns suffered considerably but now confidence is returning and the declining tendency is arrested.

CITY MARKETS

The General feeling on this stock Exchange was better and unofficial Quotations were somewhat better. Cotton market after initial dective improved on short cobering. The down ward trend in Silver continues but Gold was steady. Produce market was closed.

Madras Share Market

MADRAS, Dec. 29

The following are today's quotations in the Madras Stock Exchange market.

PLANTINGS: Chemoras 4 9 Cochin Malayar 4 14 Devarshola 18 6 Highland Produce 23 2 Kalpettas 21 Midlands 5 3 Do Pref 7 14 Nenampathy 1 7 Ouchterlony 5 5 Pullangodes 1 3 Thirumbadi 2 9 T R and T Co 6 12 6 Do Pref 10 Vaikundam 7 4 Waterfalls 2, 5 6

TEXTILES. Bang Woollen 240 Buckinghams 166 Do Pref 1?6 Cambodias 9 2 Coimbatore Cm 102 4 Do Pioneer 107 Janardhanas 46 8 Lakshmi 65 Maduras 43 6 Mettur 315 Pankaja 87 Radhakrishna 134 8 Ranga Vilas 44 Trav Rayons 4 14 Do Pref 6 4 Trichinopoly 11 3 Vasanta 100

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cements 63 Do B 6 6 FACTS 5 4 India Cement 14 14 Mettur Chem 8 9 Do Pref 106 8 Mysore Chem Ferts 8 1 Do Papers 11 12 Spencers 11 6

BANKS. Travancore 18 8.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. Three per cent Government of India Paper 9 4 three per cent 1986 Government of India loans 99 1 three per cent 1970 75 Government of India loans 100 three per cent 1952 54 Government of Travancore 102 8 three per cent 1960 Government of Madras 101 2. —AP.

WORLD WOOL PRODUCTION

NEW YORK, Dec 29 (UPI): World wool production will total, 3,800,000,000 lbs. (grease basis) for the 1948-49 season, according to the December issue of "Rayon Organon," the New York journal of the rayan industry.

This would be an increase of 2½ per cent. above the previous season and the first increase since 1943-44. A further increase is anticipated in the 1949-50 season.

New Sound-Recording Process Perfected

NEW YORK, Dec. 29 (UPI): A new sound-recording process has been perfected by the American Broadcasting Company and will be used on films which will enable live television broadcasts in New York to be reproduced by other television stations not linked with the station of origin on a network.

The process is similar in many respects to the home recording process used with many home film systems. But it has the important advantage that any number of duplicates can be made very quickly in the laboratories from the original sound-track.

Another big advantage is that the pictures and the sound-track are on the same film. Other processes have the sound on separate films or even on records.

N. Y. Cotton Prices Decline On Increased Hedges

EASY TONE IN WALL STREET ON INCREASED OFFERINGS

NEW YORK, December 28:

COTTON: Early firmness was due to commission house short covering principally in nearbys stimulated by reports that Russia purchased 20,000 bales of American cotton and moderate trade demand partly against export sales. Prices sagged under increased hedging in old crops and New Orleans selling with support limited to scale down mill buying and local short covering. The market sagged on increased hedges in near months and liquidation and the easier trend in the stock exchange. Support was limited to scaledown trade price fixing mainly in March and May, partly against export sales. The market closed barely steady. Sales are estimated at 130,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON CLOSINGS
New York, Dec. 28

March	32.30—14
March Highest	32.52+08
March Lowest	32.28—16
May	32.08—16
July	31.12—23
October	28.48—22
December	28.28—24
Middling Spot	32.98—16

NEW ORLEANS COTTON CLOSINGS.
New York, Dec. 28

March	32.30—11
May	32.11—06
July	31.15—18
October	28.43—24
Middling Spot	32.00—10

ALEXANDRIA COTTON
Alexandria, Dec. 28

KARNAK—	
January	90.00 + 55
March	87.70 + 235
ASHMOUNI—	
February	57.30 + 147
April	57.05 + 116

WALL STREET MARKET

STOCKS: Some increase in tax selling and other offerings converted initial indecision into irregularly lower tendencies of fractions to a dollar. Selected steels, oils, rails, electric manufacturing, motors, minings, department stores and tobaccos featured in the lower issues. Motors failed to draw much support notwithstanding estimates of 1948 production at 5,275,000 motor cars and trucks and forecast of record 1949 output at 5,675,000 units. The averages were industrials 176.31 and rails 52.77.

The market further eased slightly with buyers reluctant in the face of steady flow of offerings. Losses of fractions to one dollar or more were rather liberally distributed, especially among industrials. Oils continued unsettled by the shakiness in the fuel oil price structure. Rallies were feeble, the market closing at or around the day's worst with an easy tone.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.
NEW YORK, Dec. 28

American Telephone and Telegraph	149-5/8
Amerex Holding Co	22-1/4
Anaconda Copper Mining	33-1/8
Chase National Bank	34-1/4
Sinclair Oil	22-3/8
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co.	43-7/8
General Electric Co.	39-3/8
General Motors	57-7/8
Ingersol Rand	67
International Nickel	30
National City Bank of New York	37-3/4
New York Central Rail Road Co.	12-1/2
Socony Vacuum Corporation	16-3/4
Texas Corporation	52-1/4
Union Carbide	40-1/4
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	43
U. S. Steel Corporation Common	70-1/8
Western Union Telegraph	15-1/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.
London, Dec 28.

	£
Consols 2-1/2 p.c	79-11/16
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p.c 1961	106-7/16
Funding Loan 4 p.c. 1960/90	114-3/16
War Loan 3-1/2 p.c. 1952 and after	103-7/16
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	100-1/2
National Bank of India	38-1/4

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 4,376.

CHICAGO GRAINS

The market fluctuated irregularly with commercial demands for nearby wheat associated with export sales of two cargoes of wheat to Holland and expectations that Italy will purchase 2,700,000 hundred pounds weight of flour for January shipment. Deferred contracts however were under pressure reflecting official prediction of heavy snows. In maize there was a steady undertone due to limited hedge pressure and one cent advance in the Commodity Credit Corporation maize buying price which is expected to result in continued firmness in the cash market.

WORTH STREET ATTITUDE ON HOLIDAY CALIBRE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.

The attitude on the Worth Street Cotton Cloth Market today was mainly in holiday calibre with subsequent quietness in selling.

There was considerable price checking suggesting a resumption of activity after New Year but buyers lead toward downside. Some quarters said that they would hold out as long as possible in the hope of further lay off in the price structure next month.

Burlap prices were steadier following the renewed Argentine buying in Calcutta but domestic buyers limited purchases to fill-in basis.

LONDON PEPPER PRICES.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

The pepper market turned easier in London today with buyers backing away.

Sellers were offering white pepper at 3/10-1/2 but buyers did not appear to be interested above 3/9. Similarly, black lampong was offered at 3/7, but buyers wanted one penny to one and a half pence lower.

Malabar, London basis, December-January, was quoted at 330, January-Webruray, 315; January-March, 300, all nominal.

NEW YORK PEPPER PRICES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.

Black pepper closed inactive and unchanged to 100 points lower on the New York Produce Exchange today.

The tone in the shipment was easier. Consequently, buyers were reported to be holding off in the hope of a further reduction in prices.

Closing prices included: January, 75 nom; March, 58 nom; May, 52 nom; July, 49 nom; September, 50 bid; October, 47.25 nom; December 45 nom.

In the ready market, black pepper was quoted at 75 cents and white pepper at 79 cents per pound.

NEW YORK SEED PRICES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.

The following were prices of seeds on the New York Market today:—

Castorseeds dol. 125 per long to f.o.b. Brazilian ports.

Cottonseeds dol. 75 nom. per ton Memphis basis.

Linseed dol. 6.00 per bushel. Minneapolis.

Linseed Oil 27.8 cents per pound.

Groundnuts 18.50-.75 cents per pound.

Groundnut Oil 17-1/2 cents per pound.

LONDON BULLION.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

Silver: Spot and Forward 42-1/2 d. Gold Bars Fine per oz. £8-12-3

CHICAGO WHEAT.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28

May 2.28-3/8
July 2.10-3/8
September 2.10

LONDON WHEAT.

London, Dec. 28

Australian Wheat f.o.b. (bulk) 99/3 Dec.-Jany. quoted.

NEW YORK SILVER
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.

U. S. price of Foreign Silver 70 cents.

Calcutta Share Bazar Active

CALCUTTA, Dec. 29

The market ruled steady and active and a fairly large business took place at gradually hardening rates. Following are today's final transactions upto 4.30 p.m..

Government Securities: Three per cent loan 1986 99 3/6 three per cent loan 1949-52 100/8 three per cent 1951 101/5 S lot three per cent loan loan 1951 54 101 5 three per cent loan 1959/61 101/- three per cent loan 1963/65 100.4 four per cent loan 1960/70 110/8 s lot.

BANKS: Bengal central bank 9/13 Hindusthan Commercial Bank 26/-.

COTTONS: Bengal Nagpore 28 2 Elgin Mills 18/8 Kesoram 17/-.

COALS: Bengal 433/- Bhalgora 8 3 Burrakur 24/11 Deoli 7/1 Daemo Main 15/2 New Manbhoom 22/2 South Karanpura 28/14 Talcher 4.7 Western Bengal 5/4.

JUTES: Agarpara 25/2 Alliance 221/8 Exdiv Cheviot 250/- s lot Graig 15/5 Kamarhatty 303/8 Presidency 6/7 Standard 210/-.

MININGS: Burma Corp 3/2 Indian Copper 2/7.

ENGINEERINGS: Indian Macinery 9/14 ct Indian Iron and Steel 24/12 Saran Eng 9/- Steel Corp 22/3 Textile Macninery 7/10.

MISCELLANEOUS: Calcutta Electric 21/13 Batimer Lawrie 336/- BIC 8/9 Industry Corp of Bengal 15 6 National Tobacco 23/7 India Steamship 10/-.

SUGARS: Buland 18/15 Murree Brewery 10/- Teas Chamong 16/9 East India 20/4 S lot Margarets Hope 7/10 Small odd lot Namburnadi 9/4 Sonai Riber Pref 173/- Soom 13/8 Small old lots Tezpore 24/4— (API)

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, Dec 28

T. T. London on:

New York Selling 4.0275, Buying 4.0325; Montreal Selling 4.0275, Buying 4 0325; Zurich Selling 17.34, Buying 17.36; Stockholm 14.47 to 14.50.

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, December 29.

2 1/4 per cent 1954	98	12
2 1/4 per cent 1950	100	14
2 1/2 per cent 1961	97	2
2 1/2 per cent 1961	97	1
2 3/4 per cent 1960	99	10
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99	10
2 3/4 per cent 1976	98	0
3 per cent Non-Terminable	99	1
3 per cent 1986 Con.	99	2
3 per cent 1949-52	100	10
3 per cent 1951-54	101	4
3 per cent 1953-55	101	10
3 per cent 1957	101	4
3 per cent 1959-61	100	14
3 per cent 1963-45	100	3
3 per cent 1966-68	99	15
3 per cent 1970-75	100	0
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	105	8
4 per cent 1960-70	110	12
4 1/2 per cent 1950-55	104	4
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60	112	2
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68	115	12
PROVINCIAL LOANS		
2 3/4 per cent U P 1961	98	2
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	98	2
3 per cent Punjab 1948	98	14
3 per cent Bombay 1955	100	12
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100	12
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100	4
3 per cent U.P. 1952	100	4
3 per cent C P 1952	100	6
3 per cent N W F 1952	99	10
3 per cent U P 1961-66	100	0
4 per cent Bombay Municipality D.	111	0
5 per cent Bom Muni 1959	114	8
6 per cent Bom Muni 1954	114	8
4 per cent Municipality 1977	100	14
6 K P T	114	3

Hessian Market

BOMBAY, Dec. 29.

45X11.	Pics.		
Ready	112-1/2		
Oct.-Dec.	113		
Jan.-March	114-1/2		
D. W 40X28.			
Ready	128	0	0
Oct.-Dec.	126	0	0
Jan.-March	122	8	0

City Markets

SHARE BAZAR

Bombay, Dec. 29.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was closed to-day being X'mas holidays. In private Tata Steel Defds were offered at Rs. 1685, while Ordinar shares were quoted at Rs. 316.

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Dec. 29.

The Bullion market was quiet to-day with increased offerings in Ready Silver. Gold was steady with moderate business. Later on volume of business was moderate with scattered buying in ready Silver. Final quatations were as under:—

Ready Silver Bullion	Rs.	177	0	0
Silver Mint		177	4	0
Ready Gold		112	11	0
Sovereigns		73	9	0

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Dec. 29.

The local cotton market opened somewhat quieter to-day and under scattered liquidation a small decline in prices was registered, but shorts came in to cover and the market rallied. The turnover was restricted.

At the opening May delivery was quoted at Rs. 614 and declined to Rs. 613-8, but improved to Rs. 614-4 on short covering.

Later on trading was restricted and prices fluctuated within a narrow range. The market closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. February	Rs.	620	0	0
I.C.C. May		614	4	0
I.C.C. July		615	12	0
I.C.C September		615	12	0

Today main fluctuations:—
February— Rs. 620; 619; 620.
May— Rs. 614-1/2; 613; 614-1/4.
July— Rs. 615-3/4; 614-1/4; 615-3/4.
September— Rs. 615-3/4, 614-1/2; 615-3/4.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Dec. 28

February highest 620 lowest 618 closing 620

May highest 614 3/4 lowest 611 1/4 closing 614 1/2

July highest 615 1/2 lowest 612 1/2 closing 615 1/2

September highest 615 3/4 lowest 612 3/4 closing 615 3/4

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Bombay, Dec. 29

Indian Cotton February contract is 840 cents below New York March at exchange rate 331.

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

	1948 Bales	1947 Bales
RECEIPTS (By Rail & Sea) 24th December to 27th Dec.	12829	23332
RECEIPTS (By Rail & Sea) 1st Sept. to 27th Dec.	306520	507107
SHIPMENTS: 24th to 27th December		
United Kingdom	......	625
Continent	......	......
China	1355	.....
Japan	352	.....
Coast Ports	2411	536
Total	4118	1161
SHIPMENTS: 1st Sept. to 27th December		
United Kingdom	7071	11474
Continent	48353	152252
China	9101	138361
Japan	721	136486
U. S. A.	7271	12891
Other Foreign Countries	2244	18262
Coast Ports	83974	22864
Total all Foreign Countries	83974	22864
Total	158735	492590
TRANSHIPMENT IN BOMBAY HARBOUR DURING THE MONTH OF November Total	80	1
1st Sept. To 30th November Total	81	6783

Statement Of Cotton Pressed In Indian Union

Week ending 10th Dec.

	1948	1947
Madras	524	4398
Bombay	5436	4300
West Bengal	48	107
United Provinces ...	.....	.....
East Punjab	765	....
Central Provinces	2483	8014
Berar	10360	28078
Ajmer.Merwara	1125	55
Assam (a)	.....	.....
Hyderabad State (a)	2178	1589
Mysore State (a)	.....	....
Total	22919	46541
1st Sept. to 10th Dec.	1948	1947
Madras	17647	101345
Bombay	29455	38973
West Bengal	398	1569
United Provinces	.....	.....
East Punjab	914	.....
Central Provinces	4543	15097
Berar	32167	95156
Ajmer/Merwara	3725	1146
Assam (a)	850	.....
Hyderabad State (a)	4898	10182
Mysore State (a)	3885	4983
Total	98491	263451

Produce Market Closed

Bombay, Dec. 29.

The local Produce market was closed to-day as a mark of respect to the death of a member.

Pepper Prices

BOMBAY, Dec. 29.

Maha dely. 176 to 178

Italian Art Silk

BOMBAY. Dec. 29.

150 D. Dec.	3	10	0
150 D. Jan.	3	10	3
120 D Ready	3	3	0
150 D Ready	3	10	0

Sugar Prices

BOMBAY, Dec. 29

Small			87
Medium			94
Big			105
Extra Big			115
Jan	31	4	.
March	30	12	0
Arrivals Bags			4,020
Despatches Bags Approx			2,500
Total Stock Approx Bags			49,290
Damage Sugar			80 to 85

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Dec. 29.

B. O. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 Ready.

B. O. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Mos.

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 31/32 Ready

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Mos.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/8 7th-9th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th-9th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st. 1/6 7/32 7th-9th Month.

New York & Montreal B. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 332 1/4.

Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 332 1/4

Banks Buying T. T. Rs. 330

Banks Buying D. D. N. Y. Rs 328 3/4 Montreal Rs. 328 1/2.

Banks Buying D. D. N. Y. Rs 329 Montreal Rs 328 3/4 L/C

Paris Banks Sellling T. T. Fcs 7860

Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs 8060

Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fl. 79

Belgium Banks Selling T. T. D. D Fcs. 1305.

Java Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Glds 79.

Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 84.

Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 157.

Manila Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 165 1/4.

New York/London Cross Rate dol 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4; London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. 52.57-53.43; London/Alexandria Cross Rate Pts 97 1/4-3/4; London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl 10.68-70. London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl 40; London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4. London Denmark Cross Rate Kr 19.32-36. London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/3 1/16-1/2 15/16; London Iran Cross Rate Ri 128/130 London/Java Cross Rate Fl 10.68-70; London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es 99.80-100.20; London Manila Cross Rate Pes. 8.09-8.14, London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4 London/New York Cross Rate dol 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London/Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02; London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs. 1061—1063; London/Prague Cross Rate K. 201-202; London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4 1/16-2/4 3/16; London Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50; London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs. 17.34-36; London/Syria Cross Rate 880-5.

London Discts 3 Mos. 9/16 p.c.; London Discts. 6 Mos. 5/8 p.c.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c.; Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

Money: Call 1/2 p.c., 3 Mos. 3/4 p.c. 6 Mos. 1 p.c. 12 Mos. 1-1/2 p.c.

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Decrease Of Rs. 14.65 Crores In Note Circulation

The weekly statement of the Reserve Bank for the week ending 24th December shows a decrease of Rs. 14,65,06,000 in note circulation. Details are as under:—

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	14,73,45,000
Notes in circulation	1183,96,65,000
Total Notes issued	1198,70,10,000
Total Liabilities	1198,70,10,000
ASSETS	Rs.
A. Gold Coin and Bullions:—	
(a) Held in India	41,35,46,000
Sterling Securities	768,85,70,000
B. Rupee Coin	45,23,90,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	343,25,04,000
Total Assets	1198,70,10,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 67,091 per cent.

BANKING DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Governemnt	
(1) Central Government	213,66,62,000
(2) Other Governments	16,57,95,000
(b) Banks	66,04,72,000
(c- Others	57,68,49,000
Bills Payable	4,85,84,000
Other Liabilities	9,92,01,000
Rupees	378,75,63,000
ASSETS	Rs.
Notes	14,73,45,000
Rupee Coin	12,59,000
Subsidiary Coin	1,66,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted:—	
Internal	53,83,000
Government Treasury Bills	1,59,53,000
Balance held abroad	256,71,53,000
Loans and Advances to Governments	2,07,00,000
Other Loans and Advances	10,01,94,000
Investments	90,75,20,000
Other Assets	3,18,90,000
Rupees	378,75,63,000

Sugar Production And Stocks

The opening stock, production, despatches and the closing stock of sugar in respect of Central Sugar Factories in the Indian Union including Hyderabad during the fortnight ending Nov. 15, 1948, were 6,089,000 mds., 131,000 mds., 637,000 mds., and 5,581,000 mds. respectively, reports the Director, Indian Institute of Sugar Technology, Kanpur, on the basis of returns received under Sugar Production Rules 1935. The figures for the corresponding fortnight of the previous season were 3,646,000 mds., 98,000 mds., 662,000 mds. and 3,084,000 mds. respectively. Figures for the current fortnight relate to 118 factories representing 90.87 per cent of the total cane crushing capacity, while figures of the previous year relate to 116 factories representing 87.8 per cent of the total cane crushing capacity.

The total figures for the production and despatches of sugar since Nov. 1, 1948, are reported to be 131,000 mds and 637,000 mds. respectively as against the corresponding figures of 99,000 mds. and 775,000 mds. during the previous season.

Shipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

S. S. NOREVERETH

From Hongkong: 1,202 cases raisins, 300 bales cassia ligura, 25 bags green beans, 165 bags galingels, 50 bags anl seed stars, 73 packages brass scrop, 200 drums lacquer thinner, 75 cases torches, 170 cases metal goods, 50 bags starin seed, 1,000 bales cassia ligura, 551 drums scrap heavy brass 327 drums scrap copper wire, 170 packages brass scraps, 247 packages copper scraps, 357 packages scrap light brass and radiators.

From Singapore: 7,521 bales raw cotton.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT:

S. S. BARJORA

To Dubai: 45 bales coir yarn—M. S. Roosta.

To Karachi: 26 cases castor oil—The Swastik Oil Mills Ltd. 80 drums ready mixed paint—J. F Kapadia & Co.

S. S. MARTHACLEPPE

To New York: 65 bales jute rugs—M. Narottamdas & Co.

S. S NOREVERETH

To Penang: 100 bags cumin seeds—S. Mobrain.

To Boston: 8 bags kapur kachree—M. Vandravan.

S. S. TREVOSE

To Cydney: 150 bales cotton waste—M. Chandulal & Co.

To Melbourne: 50 bales cotton waste—M. Chandulal & Co.

S. S. PROTECTOR

To Karachi: 42 crates glass tumblers—Indian Commercial Co. 150 cases brilliantine and 100 cases perfumed oil—Tata Oil Mills Co., Ltd. 40 crates glass globes—G. L. Manichand.

S. S. ENGLISTAN

To Karachi: 120 bundles aluminium utensils—L. Amichand.

S. S. TAIRA

To Mombasa: 10 bags brassware and 8 bundles coir door mats—Velji & Co.

S. S. CITY OF GLASGOW

To Liverpool: 50 bales woollen hosiery cuttings—C. Sarabhai & Co.

S. S. VIRGINIA MAY

To Karachi: 60 cases art silk piecegoods—H. S. H. Mohmed.

S. S. BISHAM HILL

To Colombo: 15 bales cotton waste—L. D. Vora, 5 bags red ochre and 5 bags sulphate of iron—J. Salebhoy & Co.

S. S. JALA USHA

To Karachi: 150 cases glass globes and chimneys—Indian Commercial Co.

S. S. SAN GEORGIO

To Karachi: 200 lumpc jagree—Bharat Soft Sugar & Co.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

ARRIVALS

BALOORE from Trieste on December 29 with 1,500 tons general cargo (Agents: Volkarts).

CARLTON from Galveston on December 29 with 9,000 tons maize (Agents: Lionel Edwards).

BRITISH FAITH from Abadan on December 29 with oil (Agents: A.-I. O. C.).

STAR OF ALEXANDRIA from Alexandria on December 29 with 5,000 tons general cargo (Agents: Scindias).

AMRA from Durban on December 29 with 560 passengers and 1,217 tons general cargo (Agents: M.M.).

DEPARTURES

CALEDONIA for Liverpool on December 28 with 156 passengers and 2,463 tons general cargo.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

We give below the latest information regarding vessels due to arrive at and sail from Bombay under the agency of Messrs. Volkart Bros:—

DUE TO ARRIVE AT BOMBAY:

From U. S. Pacilc Coast: s.s. LOMBOK" due 3rd January 1949 s.s. SARANGAN due 1st February, s.s. MANX FISHER due 29th January.

From U. S. Atlantic Coast: s.s. ROTTI due 31st December, s.s. HOEGH SILVERSTAR due 13th January, m.s.s. TJIPANAS due 15th January.

From Rotterdam-Antwerp: s.s. KONGSBORG due 4th January.

From Persian Gulf via Karachi: s.s. LUTTERKERK due 5th January, s.s. HOEGH MERCHANT due 16th January.

From Alexandria: s.s. STAR OF ALEXANDRIA due 28th January.

From Far East: s.s. ST. MERE EGLISE due 31st December.

From Italy: s.s. TAURINIA due 25th January.

DUE TO SAIL FROM BOMBAY.

For Calcutta via Colombo: s.s. STREEFKERK sails 31st December, s.s. DUINO sails 5th January, ss. LEOPOLDSKERK sails 9th January, s.s. ROTTI sails 15th January, s.s. KONGSBORG sails 17th January, s.s. TJIPANAS sails 30th January.

For U. S. Pacific Coast: s.s. HOEGH MERCHANT sails 23rd January.

For Italy: s.s. SALVORE sails 10 January, s.s. TAURINIA sails 31st January.

For Persian Gulf via Karachi: s.s. LOMBOK sails 18th January, s.s. SARANGAN sails 8th February.

For Mediterranean and North Continental Ports s.s. LUTTERKERK sails 10th January.

For Australia: s.s. HOEGH SILVERSTAR sails 22nd January.

For Marseilles-Le Havre: s.s. ST. MERE EGLISE sails 7th January.

ZONAL SCHEME OF SELF-DISTRIBUTION

The Government of India have decided to introduce with effect from 1st January, 1949, a rational system of distribution of salt by the different railways in accordance with a zonal scheme prepared by the Salt Controller for India. The object of this scheme is to avoid transhipment, long haulage and cross movements so as to maximise the utilisation of the available transport capacity.

The country has been divided into nine zones under this scheme, namely, Sambhar, Kharaghoda, Bombay, Dharankdhara "Kuda", Calcutta, Tuticorin, Adirampatnam-cum-Cuddalopecum-Madras, Pennuguduru and Naupada, and movements of salt from the sale sources within each zone will be regulated as indicated in the scheme.

H. Q. Bombay Area Telephones

All Military Subscribers in H.Q. Bombay Area and Bombay Sub Area can be hereafter contacted on Telephone Nos. 35080—35089: 35091—35097. All Auto extensions begnning with '396' number have been converted into direct extensions from the recently installed Military Manual Telephone Exchange. Hence the previous telephone Nos. of all officers in H.Q. Bombay Area and Bombay Sub Area have been altered.

The following officers have been provided with telephone from the Auto Exchange and they can be contacted on their respective telephone numbers. (I) G.O.C. Bombay Area 35646 (Office) 35756 (Residence), (II) COM. Bombay Sub Area 35346 (Office), (III) G.S.O.I. H.Q. Bombay Area 36307 (Office) 36353 (residence), (IV) A.A. and Q.M.G. 35580 (Office).

EAST INDIA COTTON ASSOCIATION, LTD.

Some time back the East India Cotton Association published a Souvenir styled as "A Hundred Years of Indian Cotton." Much valuable original material was collected for the compilation of that volume. The Association proposes to carry this work further and collect original material pertaining to all aspects of raw cotton trade.

The Association requests all persons in the trade and outside to kindly make available to it any such material in the form of correspondence, memoranda, memorials, proceedings of meetings of trade associations, photographs and even old books in English or any regional language, which they or their friends may have in their possession. Whenever necessary, the Association will pay reasonable price for any such material.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ANNOUNCEMENT
PATENTS ENQUIRY COMMITTEE

THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT, (as already notified in Gazette of India) having appointed a Committee to examine and report upon the Patent Law of India and the working of the existing Patent System created by the Indian Patents and Designs Act 1911, the Committee, before taking oral evidence, has compiled certain Questionnaires, in the first place to be addressed to Chambers of Commerce, research institutions, prominent industrialists and patentees.

In view, however, of the large public interests involved, the Committee would welcome suggestions from any member of the public desirous of expressing an opinion on any of the questions formulated by the Committee.

Copies of the Questionnaires referred to above may be had free on application, from the Secretary, Patents Enquiry Committee, Ministry of Industry and Supply, Jaisalmer House, Mansingh Road, New Delhi.

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Sudden Death Of Sir Akbar Hydari

"INDIA HAS LOST AN OUTSTANDING ADMINISTRATOR": TRIBUTES TO MEMORY OF ASSAM GOVERNOR

GAUHATI, DEC. 29, (API): SIR AKBAR HYDARI, GOVERNOR OF ASSAM, DIED AS THE RESULT OF A STROKE CAUSED BY HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE AT A CAMP, 30 MILES FROM IMPHAL, IN MANIPUR STATE, AT 6-30 YESTERDAY EVENING, ACCORDING TO A REPORT RECEIVED HERE.

The report also says that Sir Akbar was unconscious for five hours before he died. Death was stated to be due to high blood pressure, and the Governor died before medical help could be rushed to him.

Sir Akbar was on a tour of Manipur State during the last seven days.

Lady Hydari, Mr. Akbar Hydari, the Governor's son and one of the Governor's daughters and a son-in-law were with the Governor at the time of his death.

SIR AKBAR HYDARI

LIFE SKETCH

Sir Akbar Hydari who was aged 54, had been Governor of Assam for about a year.

A son of the late Rt. Hon. Nawab Sir Akbar Hydari, Sir Akbar was educated in Bombay University and later at Balliol College, Oxford.

Sir Akbar joined the I.C.S. in 1920 and was first posted in Madras.

He was Joint Secretary to the Indian States Delegation to the second session of the Indian Round Table Conference in London in 1931 and a Secretary to the Government of India from 1934 to 1945. Sir Akbar led the Indian Supplies Mission to the United Kingdom in 1945.

Sir Akbar married Miss Sigrid Westling, of Pitea Sweden in 1918. Lady Hydari has been taking a prominent part in the public and social life of Assam. They have one son and two daughters.

BURIAL

He was buried in the cantonment at Imphal about four this evening near the place where all the former Maharajas of Manipur were cremated.

BOMBAY RECEIVES NEWS WITH GREAT SORROW

BOMBAY, Dec. 29, (API): Friends and admirers in Bombay of the late Sir Akbar Hydari, Governor of Assam, received the news of his death with a feeling of great sorrow.

Sir Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bombay who is a close friend of the late Sir Akbar Hydari expressed profound regret. He has sent a message of condolence to Lady Hydari. The message said:

"I deeply regret the sad and untimely demise of my old friend Sir Akbar Hydari. Please accept my and my Government's and my wife's sincere sympathy in your great loss."

A party arranged this evening at the Government House, Bombay, to the delegate of Indian Philosophical Congress now in session in Bombay, has been cancelled as a mark of respect to the memory of Sir Akbar Hydari. The flag was flown half-mast at Government House today.

SWEDISH TRIBUTE

Mr. B. Thorstenson, head of the Western India Match Company and leading Swedish businessmen of Bombay, who is close friend of Lady Hydari (Nee Sigrid Westling) said that the death of Sir Akbar was a serious blow to the whole family. He said that the late Sir Akbar was very popular among the Swedish residents in Bombay.

HOMI MODI'S TRIBUTE

Sir Homi Modi, expressed personal sorrow and said. "I knew Sir Akbar Hydari from his early days and I always felt that his abilities and his personality would carry him very far. He crowned his career with a Governorship in which he achieved considerable success, in spite of the handicaps attaching to the position as head of a Province under the existing constitution. India has lost an outstanding administrator".

Sir Chintaman Deshmukh, Governor of the Reserve Bank of India, was shocked or hearing the news of the death of Sir Akbar Hydari. Sir Chintaman expressed his profound regret at the loss of an able administrator and patriot.

Mr. Joachim Alva, Sheriff of Bombay, in a message said that the late Sir Akbar Hydari was "a genial gentleman full of charm and without any bitterness or rancour in him", and conveyed his sincerest condolences to Lady Hydari, their son and two daughters.

ACTING GOVERNOR OF ASSAM

NEW DELHI, Dec. 29, (API): Pending the appointment of a successor to the late Sir Akbar Hydari, Mr. Justice R. F. Lodge, Chief Justice of the Assam High Court, has been temporarily appointed Governor of Assam, says a press note from the Home Ministry.

FLAGS FLOWN HALF-MAST IN BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Flags were flown half-mast on the Bombay Civil Secretariat and other Government buildings in honour of the late Sir Akbar Hydari, news of whose death was received with sorrow in Bombay.

RECEPTION CANCELLED

A reception, which was to be given by the Governor, Raja Sir Maharaj Singh in honour of the delegates to the Philosophical Congress was cancelled at the last moment.

"NO HOPE OF SURVIVAL WITHOUT STEPPING UP LIVING STANDARDS"

Benegal Rama Rau Says India Needs American Aid

COLUMBUS (Ohio), Dec. 29 (Reuter)—Unless India raises its living standards rapidly, a democratic system "cannot hope to survive" said the Indian Ambassador, Sir Benegal Ram Rau, in a speech here today.

The Ambassador, who was giving the inaugural address before the Hindustan Students' Association's Annual Convention, said India needed the help of the United States.

"India is on the eve of a great industrial revolution and a cultural renaissance", he said. Indian industries and Indian agriculture had to be developed very rapidly for after 150 years of British rule, it was one of the poorest countries in the world.

"Unless we raise the standard of living very rapidly, a democratic system, based on adult suffrage, resting on the will of a vast majority of people on the verge of starvation, cannot hope to survive.

"I am sure we shall have the fullest co-operation on the United States in the great task of the reconstruction and building of India which today is the only stabilising factor in a continent which is in ferment."

ADVICE TO STUDENTS

The Ambassador hoped that before they left the United States the students would have acquired all that America had to give them, and it would be their duty to use this knowledge to build up the new India.

Urging patience with the Government, Sir Benegal said that had been active in other spheres and had to its credit the absorption of the Princely States, the creation of a new constitution and the beginnings of vast irrigation—hydro-electric schemes.

INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION WILL DO IT

"India within the next seven or eight years will become self-sufficient in food. Once the conditions necessary for the rapid development of industry have been created, we shall have an industrial revolution which will transform the entire face of the country, he said.

INDIAN DELEGATION TO BURMA

Departure Postponed To Second Week Of February

MADRAS, Dec. 29 (API): The Indian Delegation to Burma to discuss with the Burma Government the question of compensation payable to Indian landholders under the land nationalisation scheme will proceed to Rangoon during the second week of February, according to information received by the Madras Government.

The Delegation, which will be led by the Congress President, Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, was originally scheduled to leave for Burma on Jan. 27, but to suit the convenience of the Premier of Burma, the departure of the Delegation has been postponed.

BURMESE JUDICIAL MINISTER RESIGNS

RANGOON Dec. 29 (Reuter): U. Ba Gyan has tendered his resignation as Burmese Minister of Judicial Affairs, it was announced today.

This followed the decision of the All-Burma Youth League, of which he is President, to sever its connection with the Government Coalition Party, the Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League, and quit politics.

Soviet Arrest 1,000 A Month

Anti-Red Resistance In East Germany

BERLIN, Dec. 29, (Reuter): Members of anti-Soviet resistance groups in the Eastern Zone of Germany were being arrested by Soviet secret police at the rate of a thousand a month, the American licensed "Tagesspiegel" reported today. The newspaper said that acts of sabotage in factories and attacks on officials of the Communist-dominated Socialist Unity Party were increasing.

MOSCOW DENIES ROYALL'S CHARGE

MOSCOW, Dec. 29, (Reuter): Tass, Soviet news agency, published last night an official denial of the statement by Mr. Kenneth Royall, the United States Secretary of State for the Army, that the Soviet Union holds 13,000,000 prisoners in concentration camps.

The agency declared: "This senseless fantasy of Royall in an open lie and slander of the Soviet Union.

"It should be noted that the 'American Intelligence' not for the first time supplies the United States Government with such ridiculous "reliable information".

125 R. S. S. Men Sentenced

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

One Hundred and twenty-five R.S.S. members were produced before Mr. Oscar Brown, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court, today, when they were sentenced to four months' imprisonment each. Sentencing them Mr. Brown threatened that he would have them flogged if they shouted slogans and created disturbance in the court. He said: "You should not associate a court of law with your political activities. You must learn to respect the dignity of the court".

JUBBULPORE R. S. S. TO WITHDRAW MOVEMENT

(From Our Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, Dec. 29.

Having exhausted out their force and vitality in a trial of strength between their organisation and the Government of India, the R.S.S. organisers in Jubbulpore have been, it is reliably understood, contemplating to withdraw their movement and cease sending their volunteers to defy the ban and court arrest. The number of the R.S.S. members arrested and convicted in the city and the district of Jubbulpore exceeds 475.

Among these persons the majority is of the school and college students, teachers and lecturers and of the members of a particular community. The public were totally indifferent towards this agitation. The stern measures which have been adopted by the Provincial Government to combat this movement have cooled down the enthusiasm of the R.S.S. organisers and they are seriously busy finding out a devise to save their faces and get themselves out of the predicament of their creation.

50 INJURED IN U. S. AIR ACCIDENTS

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (Reuter): Fifty people, including two babies, were involved in two plane incidents in the United States today.

Twenty eight of them escaped injury when a twin-engined air liner crashed soon after leaving Johnson City, Tennessee, for Cincinnatti but 43 aircraft and a Blimp (small airship) were searching a wide area of the Caribbean for the others.

Their Dakota vanished on a trip from San Juan, Puerto Rico, to Miami and is believed to have run out of petrol 45 minutes before it was due to land. In a last radio talk it gave its position as 50 miles south of Miami.

MASS ARRESTS OF GREEK CIVILIANS

ATHENS, Dec. 29. (Reuter): Military authorities in the Peloponnese have ordered the arrest of 3,000 Greek civilians suspended of assisting the Markos guerillas.

Some 800 have been arrested at Kalamata, capital of the Messinia Department on the southern Peloponnesian coast, and 150 at Tripolitsa, capital of Arcadia Department.

GUERILLAS FIRE 4,000 SHELLS.

Guerillas fired more than 4,000 shells and mortar bombs in the Kastoria floring area of Northern Greece, yesterday when three of their battalions launched a violent attack on strategic heights north of Kartoria, a Greek General Staff Communique said to-day.

Wankaner Rajasaheb's 'Private Property'

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT Dec. 29

It is understood that material is being collected for being put before Mr. V. P. Menon about the private property of Wankaner Rajasaheb. It is understood that lakhs of rupees have been distributed amongst royal family members. Besides the share of Bombay Electrical Company, Wankaner Mill, and also shares of other companies stand on Rajasaheb's name and the Dak Bungalow, Guest House, Darbargadh and other buildings have been considered as private property.

U. S. Carrier In Colombo

COLOMBO, Dec. 29 (Reuter): The 27,000 ton United States carrier "Tarawa" (Capt. Huward Young) arrived in Colombo this morning on an informal visit.

Tarawa left far east touching Tsingtao, Hongkong and Singapore en route. She will leave Colombo on January 2, 1949 for Suez.

Mr. M. R. Vaidya, B.Sc. (Hon.) Fellow of St. Xavier's College, Bombay, who left on Saturday for U. S. A. for studies in Chemical Engineering in Michigan University.

Indore Passes Quiet Night

44-Hour Curfew To Be Lifted Today

INDORE, Dec. 29 (API): While the city has been quiet throughout the night, curfew has been extended for another 24 hours till 8 a.m. tomorrow. Curfew had been in force for 20 hours till 8 a.m today.

Curfew being strictly enforced, people are finding it difficult to obtain milk and other daily necessities.

Mr. V. S. Khode, Deputy Prime Minister, Madhyabharat Government arrived here last night from Gwalior to study the situation.

Military and police patrolling continues.

The dead bodies of the victims in yesterday's disturbances were delivered to their relatives for last rites conducted under police protection last evening. The police is still patrolling the streets.

CASE OF LOOTING

A case of looting a shop was reported this afternoon. Following this about forty persons were rounded up by the police.

Mr. V. S. Khode, Deputy Premier, Madhyabharat, this afternoon visited the Central jail and talked to some of the persons arrested in connection with yesterday's disturbances as well as to some leaders of the R. S. S. now lodged there.

The curfew will be lifted tomorrow morning at eight o'clock after 44 hours. The curfew will be imposed from dusk to dawn for three days beginning tomorrow.

'DICTATORSHIP IN GUISE OF DEMOCRACY'

Radical Party Resolution Criticises Draft Constitution

CALCUTTA, December 29. (A.P.I.): Yesterday's session of the 4th All-India Radical Democratic Party's Conference was devoted to the adoption of a number of resolutions bearing on the Draft Constitution of India, present economic situation in the country and the world situation.

The resolution on the Draft Constitution of India which was moved by Mr. V. B. Karnik stated, "inter alia" that the constitution "provided for a dangerous concentration of power in the hands of the President and the Central Executive which could thus establish a dictatorship in the garb of formal democracy".

Stop Press

GUERILLA ATTACKS ON DUTCH FORCES

BATAVIA, December 29. (U.P.A.): A clandestine Republican radio today reported scattered guerilla attacks on Dutch forces in western Java. It said one was against a 20-truck convoy in which 22 Dutch soldiers were killed.

BEVIN CONFERS WITH EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR

LONDON, Dec. 29 (UPA): Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin conferred today with the Egyptian Ambassador Abdel Fattah Amr Pasha. They probably discussed the incident of the Israel forces crossing into Egypt.

SARDAR'S DENIAL

HYDERABAD, Deccan Dec. 29 (API): Mr. B. Ramakrishna Rao, now General Secretary of the dissident group of Hyderabad State Congress had never submitted any proposals for compromise with the Laik Ali Ministry, said Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for States, in reply to an enquiry from Mr. Vinayak Rao, a member of the dissident group.

FRENCH SATISFACTION AT RUHR PLAN

LONDON Dec. 29 (Reuter): The French Council of Ministers "noted with satisfaction" today the Six-Power draft agreement for an international Ruhr Authority, but Germans of all political parties condemned it as "disastrous".

The French Cabinet in a 'communique" said the pact was "in accordance with the viewpoint maintained by the French Government".

U. S. PLANE MISSING

MIAMI, Florida, Dec. 29. (Reuter): A United Startes charter air liner with 30 people aboard, including two babies, was still missing today, 24 hours after it was reported lost on a flight from San Juan, Puerto Rico, to Miami.

CONSEMBLY DISCUSSES VICE-PRESIDENT'S FUNCTIONS

Adjourns Earlier After Paying Tributes To Memory Of Late Sir Akbar Hydari

NEW DELHI, Dec. 29 (A.P.I.): The Constituent Assembly today adjourned earlier than usual as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Sir Akbar Hydari, Governor of Assam.

The news of Sir Akbar's death reached the Assembly at about 1 p.m. and the vice-President, Dr. H. C. Mookherji, immediately adjourned the House.

The Vice-President said that though Sir Akbar was not a member of the House, yet everyone knew the services he had rendered to the country. The country was indebted not only to him but also to his father who had also rendered his services to the country.

The Government of India offices were closed on receipt of the news.

Election Of Vice-President

NEW DELHI, Dec 29 (API)—The Constituent Assembly resumed its discussion today, on the article relating to the mode of the election of the Vice-President. The article was passed.

Speaking on the article, Mr. Bharti said that the system of a single transferable vote was not suitable for election in single constituencies. The system of alternative vote which would be suitable for single as well as multiple constituencies should be employed.

Replying to the debate, Dr. Ambedkar said that he could not accept any of the amendments moved. Referring to Mr. Mohd Tahir's amendment seeking that the election of the Vice-President should be conducted on the same lines as that of the President, Dr. Ambedkar said that the system of election of the President and the Vice-President were based upon the functions that the two dignitaries were supposed to perform.

The President would be the head of the state dealing with matters relating to the centre as well as the states and it was but proper that in his election the members of the Parliament and also those of state legislatures should take part. On the other hand the normal functions of the Vice-President would be to preside over the Council of State and only on very rare occasions he might be called upon to discharge the duties of the President. It did not seem necessary, therefore, that the members of state legislatures should be called upon to take part in his election.

Regarding Mr. Naziruddin Ahmed's amendment, he said that a joint meeting of the two Houses of Parliament was considered necessary for the vice-President's election in order to avoid the use of the postal system in casting votes.

It was to avoid this that an Assembly of the two houses was suggested for the election of the vice-President. He did not think that there would be any practical difficulties in convening such a joint meeting.

Referring to the suggestion made by Mr. Bharti he said that if the substitution of "transferable vote" by "alternative vote" was merely a verbal change then it might be possible for the Drafting Committee to accept it.

The House passed the article as amendmed by Dr. Ambedkar.

The article dealing with the terms of office of the Vice-President and provision for his removal from office was then taken up by the House. It stated that the Vice-President should hold office for a term of five years and night be removed from his office for incapacity or want of confidence by a resolution of the Council of State passed by a majority of all the then members of the Council and agreed to by the House of the People.

OFFICIAL RESIDENCE & SALARY

Prof. K. T. Shah moved an amendment for the addition of a new clause providing for an official residence for a Vice-President, a salary of Rs. 4,500 per month and pension after his term of office which the Parliament might determine. He also wanted that the salary and pension once given should not be diminished.

Prof. Shah moved another amendment enumerating the reasons for which the Vice-President could be removed. He said that when they were making a constitution for this country, they were taking the responsibility of shaping public morality and the governance of the country and they should not therefore leave such important matters to mere common sense and sense of propriety of the public at large.

CENSURE MOTION

Mr. H. V. Kamath moved an amendment to the effect that the censure motion against the Vice-President in the Council of State should be agreed to by the House of the People also by a similar resolution. He complained that the draft had been vague in this Article and asked whether the phrase "agreed to" meant by a simple majority, two-third majority or unanimously.

Mr. Mohd Ali Beg wanted that a censure of the Vice-President should be by not less than two-thirds majority of the members of the both Houses. He argued that the office of the Vice-President was an important one and the rule that applied to the President should be applicable to his case also in the matter of removal from office.

Mr. Mohmud Tahir in an amendment suggested that the 14-day notice for a censure motion should be signed by not less than 30 members of the Council of State.

Speaking in the course of general discussion that followed, Mr. R. K. Sidhwa opposed Prof. Shah's amendment for fixing the salary of the Vice-President. Mr. Sidhwa said that as ex-officio Chairman of the Council of State, the Vice-President was entitled to a salary and allowance that might determined by Parliament. Referring to the argument of Prof. Shah, Mr. Sidhwa said that it was wrong to say that they should pay the officers more to make them honest. Honest men would always remain honest irrespective of the salary and they knew of some Viceroys, Governors and executive Members in former days being corrupt inspite of the fact that they were fabulously paid.

Mr Tajmal Hussain supported Mr. Shah's amendment.

DUAL FUNCTION

Pandit Thakurdas Bhargava said that the Vice-President had a dual function — to act in the place of the President and normally to be the chairman of the Council of State. As the Acting President, he would come under the purview of Section 50 in regard to impeachment, but so far as the question of removal as the Chairman of the Council of State was conerned the provision was exactly the same as was applicable to the Speaker of the House of People. He however, urged the need of specific rules that when a successful impeachment was carried out while he was acting as President, he should have been considered "ipso facto" removed from the vice-Presidentship too.

AMBEDKAR'S REPLY.

Replying to the debate, Dr. Ambedkar expressed his inability to accept any of the amendments. He referred to Prof. Shah's amendment which sought to specify the charges on which the vice-President could be removed and said that "want of confidence" was a very large phrase and was big enough to include corruption, bribery, etc. therefore his amendment was not necessary at all.

Regarding the argument that the removal of the vice-President should be governed by the same rules as those for the removal of the President. Dr. Ambedkar pointed out that although the Constitution spoke of a vice-President, he really was the Chairman of the Council of State and so far as his functions were concerned, he was merely an opposite number of the Speaker of the House of People. The same rules which were made applicable to the removal of the Speaker were therefore, made applicable to the removal of the vice-President.

Dealing with the point raised by Mr. Kamath, Dr. Ambedkar said that whenever they had said that a certain resolution had to be agreed to, it was understood that it was to be passed by a majority of the House unless they specifically mentioned about the size of the majority. He said that a censure motion in the Council of State could be considered as passed only if a majority of all the members of the Council of State voted for it. The world "then" used in the draft was intended to distinguish between the case of members present in the House and voted and of all the members of the House excepting those whose seats were vacant.

The House rejected the amendments and adopted the article.

POWER OF PARLIAMENT.

The House passed without much debate three articles relating to: (1) the power of Parliament to discharge the functions of the President in certain contingencies; (2) to the election of President or vice-President and (3) the power of the President to grant pardons and to suspend, remit or commute sentences in certain cases.

The House then took up the next article dealing with the extent of Executive power of the Union.

Two amendments were moved to this Article by Mr. Moahmmad Ismail and Pandit Hridayanath Kunzru who said that the power of the Central Executive to issue directives to the provinces in respect of matters which were on the concurrent list should be curtailed.

Discussion on the Article had not concluded when the House, on receipt of the news of the death of Sir Akbar Hydari, Governor of Assam, adjourned till to-morrow.

People IN THE NEWS

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, Dec. 29.—The Governor of Bombay received Mr. D. G. Dalvi and Mr. M. G. Dharamraj.

NEHRU BACK IN DELHI

NEW DELHI, Dec. 29 (UPI)—Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime Minister of India returned to New Delhi this afternoon completing his tour of Hyderabad and Mysore.

SARDAR PATEL

NEW DELHI, Dec. 29 (API)—The Deputy Prime Minister, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel returned today from Rilani.

PATTABHI FOR MADRAS

MADRAS, Dec. 29 (UPI)—Dr. B. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, Congress President, is expected to arrive in Madras about the second week of January on a fortnight's visit.

JAGJIVANRAM TO INAUGURATE WORLI TENEMENTS

Mr. Jagjivan Ram, Minister for Labour, Government of India, will arrive in Bombay on Saturday, January 8 to perform the opening ceremony of the tenements in the neighbourhood of Worli, constructed by the Government of Bombay.

DR. GILDER

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Health and Public Works, will leave for Madras on Friday, December 31, by plane, and return on Sunday, January 2, also by plane.

A. H. KAZMI

NAINITAL, Dec. 29 (UPI)—Mr. A. H. Kazmi, Special Officer, Education Department, U.P. Government, has been appointed Director of Education, Kashmir, it is learnt. Mr. Kazmi will take over his new appointment in January 1949.

GOLLAN FOR INDIA

BOMBAY, Dec. 29.—Mr. H. R. Gollan, High Commissioner-Designate for Australia will be arriving in Bombay aboard "Stratheden" on December 31.

Widely known in India where, for some years, he held the position of Senior Australian Government Trade Commissioner, Mr. Gollan will be staying in Bombay until January 15, when he leaves for Delhi to take up his new post. Arriving on the same ship is Miss Cynthia Nelson who will be joining the Australian High Commissioner's Office in Delhi.

V. P. MENON IN JAMNAGAR

JAMNAGAR, December 29. (A.P.I.): Mr. V. P. Menon, Political Adviser to the States Ministry, arrived here by plane this afternoon, from Junagadh after a short break at Morvi. He was accompanied by Mr. N. M. Buch, Joint Secretary to the States Ministry. Mr. Menon has come here to settle matters relating to the private properties for rulers and their privileges. He was received at the aerodrome by the Jamsaheb of Nawanagar and other ministers.

Mr. Menon, who is expected to leave for Cutch on New Year's Day, will, besides this question, discuss the question of merger of the centrally administered areas of Manavadar, Mangrol, Babariawad and Sardargadh with the representatives of these areas in the Saurashtra Constituent Assembly.

GEORGE MARSHALL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28, (Reuter): Mr. George Marshall, U. S. Secretary of State, left Walker Reed hospital today, three weeks after undergoing a kidney operation.

He and Mrs. Marshall left Washington by plane for their home in Pinehurst, North Carolina.

The state department gave no indication when Mr. Marshall was expected to return to his duties in Washington.

PROBLEMS OF INDIA'S RECOVERED FREEDOM

"We Want More And Better Food And Increased Standard Of Living," Ramamurthi's Call At Agricultural And Economic Conference

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) Dec. 29. (U. P. I.): "To-day, the problems of India are the problems of her recovered freedom", observed Sir S. V. Ramamurthy in the course of his presidential address at the 9th session of the All-India Agricultural Economic Conference this morning.

He said: "For successful economic development of India on a large scale, we need both good Government and self-Government. The country needs rulers and administrators of capacity and character to serve the people according to their instincts.

He added: 'We want more food, better food, and an increased standard of living. The long range method of achieving them is the execution of multi-purpose dams for the production of water and power, besides large schemes of land reclamation. India is a great country with a great future. To realise that future, we need to plan and build big. We need to develop life in a multi-dimensional manner economically, politically and culturally. Not only do we need strong brick of personality but also large girders of economic and political life. O all the great natural resources of India, mountains and rivers, forests and mines, seas and winds, it is the rivers that mbody best the dynamism of India"

'The problems of agriculture are capable of agro-industrial solutions. The problems of economics are capable of politco-economic soultions."

First Priority For Food Production

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) Dec. 29. (U. P. I.): "The greatest need of the hour is to realise that a new India has come into existence, bearing little resemblance to the India to which we were so long accustomed, and to readjust our thinking accordingly. If we are to solve the many problems, old and new, that now confront us, we must think and act quickly and not mind making mistakes."

So observed Mr. D. R. Pradhan, Additional Chief Civil Administrator, inaugurating the 9th Session of the All-India Economic Agricultural Conference, at the Osmania University premises, this morning.

He added: "We are the second largest agricultural country in the world and yet we import food from foreign countries spending as much as Rs. 100 crores on it. A country which cannot feed, cloth and defend itself does not deserve to exist. The problem of agricultural production must, therefore, claim our first attention."

"QUIT MAMDOT" DEMAND

LAHORE, Dec. 29 (UPI): Signatories to "Quit Mamdot" demand, who have given a non-confidence threat to Khan Iftikhar Hussain Khan of Mamdot, the West Punjab Premier, have initiated a move to nominate Mr. Ghaznafar Ali Khan, at present Pakistan's Ambassador in Iran and Iraq, as the future Premier of the province.

A brisk canvassing is in progress by both the Daultana and Mamdot groups to win over party members to their sides before the next sitting of the Party meeting.

It is considered unlikely that any directive or intervention by the Central Pakistan Government to solve the keen rivalry between the two groups will yield fruitful results.

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Men as well as women, do not need political rights in order that they may govern, but in order that they may not be misgoverned.
—JOHN STUART MILL

TARIFF BOARD AND TEXTILE PRICES

After the Commodity Prices Board had gone into voluntary liquidation now over a year ago by the resignation of its Chairman, Mr. Gorwala and of the other member, Prof. Gadgil, Government decided to refer price fixation inquiries to the Tariff Board instead of reviving the expert and semi-judicial organization specially created for the purpose. This step on the part of Government had then evoked considerable comment It was obvious that the Tariff Board would be too busily engaged with the more legitimate calls on its attention to spare enough time for such an important purpose which merited an equally high power organization for itself.

Prices of textile goods were among the earliest to be referred to that Board, almost in appeal over the recommendations of the C.P. Board. It is, therefore, very interesting to note that the Tariff Board in all essential respects has upheld the recommendations of the Commodity Board and has in several respects gone into further detailed inquiry In view of these circumstances it is extremely surprising, and not a little disconcerting, to find that the recommendations made by the Tariff Board in regard to the principles by which cloth prices should be regulated and the procedure which should be adopted for their revision have been for the most part negatived or shelved by Government. When the Commodity Prices Board reported on the several references made to it the climate of the Delhi secretariat was becoming unfriendly to the whole principle of control. Now that the policy of controls is again adopted after full deliberation one would have expected a better reception to the price recommendations of the Tariff Board. It seems, however, that one Board is faring no better with the Government than the other Board did. There is food for anxious thought in this unwelcome phenomenon.

Costs are the very crux of the whole problem of price inquiries, and unless standardization and rationalization are insisted upon we are left with the most wasteful and inquitous practice of assuming the costs of even the least efficient unit as given and adjusting prices to them. The two boards have independently and unanimously recommended that rationalization should be proceeded with and that the best way to promote rationalization is to base prices on standard and not on any costs. The Government, however, concludes that this is undesirable as being too rigid and adds that the purpose of improving efficiency and expending production can be met by other means which another committee is considering. If the heads of executive departments know better than the expert committees which are the better means to attain an end, why waste public monies in these inquiries. It is almost a uniform experience of price controls as applied to the products of major industries, that references and discussions go on till the administrators and the industrialists arrive at a formula which satisfies them. This is hardly the way to evolve rational controls or to make them even passably effective. On a survey of existing practices and on a very liberal calculation the Tariff Board recommended certain standard percentages for such items as depreciation, working capital, managing agent's commission and return on capital. These recommendations have been shelved by the Government on the ground that their subject matter is under reference by Government in another context.

Except in the case of weaving costs in respect of which the Board's recommendations were partially adopted by Government after further consultation with that body the Tariff Board's recommendations seem to have failed to bear fruit. Even with regard to these costs future adjustments, it is announced, will be made by the technical staff of the Textile Commissioner on the basis of the Board's recommendations. Knowing the shortcomings of the Textile Commissioner's department we do not feel that either the Tariff Board or the public at large will feel satisfied at the official reception of the Board's recommendations. Unless the recommendations of expert bodies like the Tariff Board, and before it of the Commodity Prices Board, are treated with the respect due to them as semi-judicial bodies the consumers will not be assured of protection against vested unsocial interests. Coming after the official declaration of a strong anti-inflationary policy the fate of the Tariff Board's recommendations on textile prices must be considered as highly discouraging. The employers' organizations fight for "fair" profits and the trade unions fight for "fair" wages. The Board is the custodian of the wider national interests in which both these are subsumed. If the policy of Government in each case is dictated by rival pressures of the two producing contestants the large body of consumers are placed at the mercy of inefficient and self-seeking monopolists. Neither for distributive justice nor for productive efficiency is this a good augury.

Needless Controversy

Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose's extraordinary outburst in London is not calculated to promote collected thinking on India's relations with the Commonwealth. He naively dismisses Pandit Jawaharlal's observations on the subject as proof of the Prime Minister having been taken in by the Commonwealth Conference's sinister plan to trap India and asks for a severance of the ties. If Mr. Bose intended his views to be taken seriously, he should have given expression to them in India. And it would have helped a great deal if he had refrained from personalities and devoted some attention to arguing out his case. As it is, his opinion must be attributed to a sentimental anti-British feeling which is perfectly understandable but which cannot be the determining factor in the national decision. As for his reference to Irish reactions, this is purely his own impression. After all, Eire's quitting the Commonwealth was a gradual process not a sudden move. Years of preparation had gone into giving effect to the Irish desire to separate.

Mr. Bose has maintained that India's leaving the British Commonwealth will enable her to play her "full part in Asia". But he has not troubled to show how India retaining an association, as an independent, sovereign, republic, with the Commonwealth nations will detract from her prestige in Asia. Nor has he discussed with any coherence the chances of India being a republic and at the same time retaining friendly relations with Britain. One aspect which seems to have escaped his notice, is that it is for the Commonwealth nations to declare that they will not accept links with an Independent India and that no purpose is served by India assuming of her own accord that this is an impossible position.

That there are drawbacks and difficulties in the developing relations of the Commonwealth countries, no one has denied. In fact, Pandit Jawaharlal has been very outspoken about them. But the pith of the matter lies in whether it is more advantageous to be with the Commonwealth or to go out of it completely; whether the association will help India to develop her own ideals and to influence the Commonwealth and other nations or will prove a hindrance. Those, who believe that it will help, have not formed their opinion through an obsession regarding India's weakness. Pandit Jawharlal has said categorically that he regards this as an opportunity. It seems to us that the men who feel this way, should be given every chance of proving the rightness of their stand. If events should establish that they were wrong, it is always open to India to leave the Commonwealth and then the decision will be generally supported. There is no urgency now about severing Commonwealth ties and that point of view has not been adequately appreciated by those who favour impetuous action now.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT.

CAIRO, Dec. 29 (Reuter)—The Egyptian Government last night ordered that the Faud University of whose medical faculty the alleged assassin of Premier Nokrashy Pasha was a member, should be closed down indefinitely.

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"The Palestine war", reports an evening paper, "has became a flight between the Jews and the Egyptians with the other Arabs looking on."

This is a cruel summing up of the U. N. Security Council's work.

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Mr. Truman has told the world that he is worried because Russia, "our greatest ally, has a system of morals that are not morals".

What is the system called which permits the American President to speak of Russia as "our greatest ally?"

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Mr. Truman was "sure" that, if the Russian people had a voice in the Government of Russia, the agreement which Russia today has not kept, would have been kept.

Remembering the Vinson episode when Mr. Truman's peace move was muffed by public protest, Mr. Stalin believes that, if the American people had less power over the President, there would not have been so much fuss about unkept agreements.

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The Russian delegate at U.N., Mr. Malik, asked why Britain pressed for a cease-fire in Palestine and kept reticent in regard to Indonesia.

The British delegate will reply to this question after observing Russia's attitude in Palestine. For the moment, it is enough to say that Britain has now learnt that the aggressor need not comply with the order.

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The Chinese resolution calling on the Dutch to fulfil the Security Council's earlier directive to end fighting and to release political prisoners found Britain among the non-voters.

As another Imperial Power, the British realise that it is unfair to call upon the Dutch to be peaceable. Mr. Paul Falla—a very un-British name—pledged Britain's absention because evidently Britain does not think Security Council's orders are to be carried out.

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The interim report of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation in Europe has warned the co-operating countries that "Europe as a whole must adopt more austere economic policies if it wants to become a going concern independent of American aid by July 1952."

Now isn't that real mean? Europe does not want to be independent; she wants the present ties to be made permanent. But Americans, whether individually or collectively, are dodging the leap year trouble.

Two More Constellations For Air-India International

BOMBAY, Dec. 29 (API.) Air India International have placed orders for two more Constellations, at California, at an estimated cost of about Rs 38 lakhs each.

Mr. K. J. Bhore, Assistant Manager of Air India International, who was deputed by the Company to visit California to expedite the delivery of the aircraft returned to Bombay this morning from London after a six-week tour of California and New York.

The aircraft which will be delivered to Air India International will be flown to India towards the end of next week.

A CITY WITHOUT PLAN OR PURPOSE

(BY SIR RUSTOM P. MASANI)

BOMBAY: A CITY IN THE MAKING by Dr. J. F. Bulsara. (National Information Publications Limited, Bombay.)

Life would not be worth living if in this age of irrationalism there were not among us even a handful of clear thinkers. Happily, our creed-caste-priest-press-ridden country is not altogether devoid of a few independent and profound thinkers. Of these few Dr. Bulsara is one. Anything coming from the pen of this ardent student of sociology on problems of civic interest and rehabilitation of society is always thoughtful and thought-provoking and the latest publication, "Bombay A City in the Making" dealing with various aspects of the city's life and activities and its expansion into Greater Bombay, is a remarkable contribution towards making his fellow-citizens and brother officers think how individually and collectively they can play their part for city improvement and social betterment.

EXPERT IN PRACTICE & THEORY

When, early in Life, Dr. Bulsara relinquished the office of Superintendent of the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, his friends and well-wishers deplored the loss to oriental scholarship of a scholar of unclouded intellect and capacity for research. What, however, was a loss in one direction has turned out to be a gain to the civic and cultural life of Bombay. After having devoted himself to the study of sociology and having acquired first-hand knowledge of progressive institutions in England and other countries in the West, Dr. Bulsara returned to India, soon to hold the office of Secretary to the Trustees of the Parsi Panchayat Funds. In that capacity and thereafter as Deputy Municipal Commissioner for the city of Bombay he has studied the daily life of the varied sections of the population of Bombay in all its aspects and given considerable thought to the problems affecting their lives as citizens. He is thus especially qualified, as an expert in the practice no less than in the theory of civic government and social betterment to write on the social functions of a municipality and the corresponding obligations of citizenship.

CITIZENSHIP SERIES

The latest addition to the contributions he has already made to the literature on the subject is the booklet under review, the first volume in the Bombay Citizenship series planned by him as General Editor in co-operation with the National Information and Publications Limited as publishers. It is, indeed, a unique project on which the General Editor and the Publishers deserve to be congratulated. The purpose of the series is to acquaint the citizens of Bombay with the multifarious processes and activities that go to constitute an integrated civic existence. It is proposed to bring out about forty volumes on topics of civic interest by authors who can speak with authority on the subjects assigned to them and it is cheering to learn that the series will also be published in Hindustani, Marathi, Gujarati, Urdu and Kannada. Only thus can a large reading public be reached and awakened to a sense of their civic rights as well as obligations and the prospects and possibilities of well planned corporate effort.

WHAT A LIFE!

"Men come together in order to live; they remain together in order to live the good life", says the great anthropologist, Aristotle, the first to concieve the idea of a gradually ascending scheme of organic life. What are the chances of people huddled in Bombay to live the good life? Think of the eighty-six slums, the seventy-four per cent of the population living in one-room tenements, the thirty per cent of children illfed and undernourished, its seven thousand beggars, forty thousand tuberculosis, seventy per cent illiterates, its appalling infant mortality, 200 per mile, brought down from 550 some years ago, its typhoid and small-pox endemics, its intolerable density of population rising in parts over seven hundred to one thousand per acre and its twenty-seven year average expectation of life! Think of these factors militating fatally against the attainment of the ideal held up by Aristotle and you will agree with the author that judged by civilised standards, our city "has still years and miles to go to be anywhere near the standards of western cities, and particularly those balanced and harmonious cities of smaller but more civilised countries such as Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Switzerland'. And this, in spite of sterling work done by an illustrious roll of stalwart city fathers aided by able executive officers for more than eighty years! Why so? Because the city had no plan and purpose, and Dr. Bulsara asks, what plan and purpose has the city of Bombay even in this age of plan and purpose? To what goal or objective is she tending? What sort of life does the city envisage for her citizens, five, ten, twenty or fifty years hence? The Greater Bombay scheme, which, says Dr. Bulsara, should mean a better Bombay scheme, seems to have come at the right moment and the publication of Dr. Bulsara's booklet comes also at the psychological moment. He makes many sapient observations, and suggestions and practical proposals such as we might expect from one who holds one of the highest executive offices in the Bombay Municipality besides being an accomplished scholar immersed in the literature of local government and steeped in the philosophy and traditions of the good life.

A POWERFUL APPEAL

We have no time to follow him in all that he has to say about it but even a casual reader will not fail to perceive that while this booklet deals with the essential problems of municipal government, a city clean, a city healthy, a city well housed, not warehoused, a city well nourished, a city prosperous, a city cultured, it is, so to say, one of the best essays on good citizenship, a powerful appeal to the citizens of Bombay particularly, to understand their citizenship more intelligently and to take it more seriously than they have hitherto done. It is also an appeal to the members of the Municipal Corporation and the Municipal executive to have definite ideals and plans and to place before them a civic goal. The average citizen in this country as in the other parts of the world is apt not to think, not to take a note of what is going on in the city, what is amiss, what is alterable, what is humiliating, what is elevating. But the educated citizen in an intelligent society and the spe-

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OUR READER'S VIEWS

Is Congress-Socialist Clash Inevitable?

Sir,—For fifty years of our political life Congress was the only accredited body that shaped our destiny. It was the symbol of our national aspirations. It has weathered many storms and stood the test. But it is only after Gandhi's entry that it became really a mass organisation. It was a powerful rallying point for all the national elements, drawing its strength from all classes of people irrespective of class or creed. Of course, in the very nature of things it was bound to be unwieldy as its membership was open to all classes of people regardless of their ideologies, so long as they pledged for the establishment of Swaraj, which was never properly defined, with the result that every section had its own ideas about it. An organisation of this type cannot be well knit like the Russian Communist party. But even with this drawback Gandhiji made of it the finest fighting machine against British Imperialism. His personality and philosophy of Satyagraha put a new life in the Congress organisation. There is no other example in the world where one man revolutionised the outlook of such a vast number of people in his own life time. His was an unique achievement. But even while our fight for freedom was going on he saw many cracks in Congress structure and time and again tried to put it in order. His last effort in this direction, a few days before his sad demise, shows what importance he attached to this matter. He was sad at heart to see his creation going to pieces before his eyes. He would have left no stone unturned to put the Congress edifice on sound basis. But the murderer's bullet put an end to that blessed life and with it Congress has lost the one man who could have saved it from collapse. After his sad departure, not only the process of disintigration was accelerated but a new trend became apparent. With the attainment of independence, Congress took charge of Government and the people who were fighting shy of it up till then, lost no time in trying to infiltrate into our organisation. They are capturing the local committees by fair or foul means, so that it is becoming clear, if something is not done, and that too very quickly, we will see the sad spectacle of Kumitang China repeated here in not a very distant future. But it is not all. The undesirable eliments could have been put in their proper places and their voice stifled, but for the indifference and apathy of trusted Congressmen. In fact it is they, in majority of cases, that are actively supporting these persons, many of whom were former allies of the British Government. These undesirable persons cannot be an asset to any institution, because their only motive is self-interest and accordingly they are making use of the Congress organisation for their own end.

Another cause of weakness of the Congress is that the old guard, who were the steel frame of our organisation, have got no time to spare, as their hands are full with governace of the country. And last, if not least, the exit of Socialists, who were a progressive phalanx in Congress.

Granted that the Congress has lost its vigour, that it is out of contact with the masses, that it has become a field for intrigues of reactionary forces, that it is at the beck and call of the Government, that many of its committees are dominated by official funkies and vested interests and many other evils that have crept into our great institution, is it any reason why we, who have worked and sacrificed every thing in life for its greatness, should desert it at this hour of country's peril? Is it not our duty to consolidate all our progressive forces to fight the reaction? Whose fault is it if the Congress is not today what we wished it to be?

In the light of new experiences, it has become obvious that the Congress constitution must be revised and rigorous test for its membership enforced, making the entrance of undesirable elements extremely difficult, if we want to preserve the fair name of the Congress, untarnished. At the same time we must bear in mind that however fool-proof a constitution we may have, we will not have the desired result if people are not vigilant

The Socialist party is a child of Congress. It was born of and reared in the Congress fold. Till the other day it was a powerful phalanx in our organisation. It was the only intellectual section which could have guided Congress in a progressive way. Their decision to quit the Congress was a major blow to the progressive forces, leaving the line clear for reaction. It is an irony of fate that men like Shri Jayaprakash who have suffered lot for the Congress cause are outside that body while many opportunists, who were toadies of the British Government, in its fight against Congress have turned their coats and show over-enthusiasm for Congress

Whatever is done is done and we need not tears over spilt milk. The Socialist party is a growing force. It is the only effective opposition to Government and so it is bound to take over reins of Government in not a remote future. It has got a bright future before it. But it cannot be gainsaid that its present policy is bound to be disastrous to the country. Do they sincerely believe that a clash at this juncture between them and the Government, is for the good of the country? Cannot all concerned devise means and evolve a formula, under which a Congress-Socialist ENTENTE can be formed, so that a Coalition Government may be brought into being? None need remind Shri Jayaprakash that we are not out of the wood even now. We are fighting a war in Kashmir, our frontiers are not impregnable, our economic life is in chaos and the international situation is growing tense every day. He is too shrewed a man not to understand the implications of a strike in Public Utility Services. No section of our people is free from some sort of a leaning towards communal or provincial prejudices yet, and labour cannot be an exception to it. We had seen in other countries, and particularly in Germany, when the progressive forces cannot come to an understanding, it is the reactionaries that seize the power of state. We had lately seen how medieval forces in the country are waiting for an opportunity to strike the blow.

We have to contend against Muslim and Hindu fanaticism, then we have got Provincial and Linguistic fanatics. It is safe, in these circumstances, to foment labour unrest?

No sane man can hold a brief to Indian capitalists. They are blindly following a policy that leads them to sure extinction. But is our labour all we wish it to be? Do our labour and its leaders really help to increase production? In fact every section of the people thinks of its own interest and the country may go to ruin for all they care. How can they expect any Government to fight inflation and raise the standard of living, so long as labour is what it is?

There are certain sections of our people whose economic distress is beyond description. They have been hit hard by inflation and should have priority in our sympathy. Why not do something for them instead of precipitating these Railway and and Postal strikes, whose lot, and particularly that of Railway employees is incomparably better than that of any other section of labour? It smacks of political action and not redressing economic grievances.

We all revere Gandhiji as Father of the Nation and one thing to his heart more than any other was a lasting unity of all classes of our people. Let us make a supreme effort to attain his cherished goal. We owe it to his memory. We, Congress men and Socialists, fought as comrades in our freedom's battles. We have many points of contact and few of difference and these can be easily ironed out. With a little tolerance and accommodating spirit, we can still fight our country's battles side by side as before and work for that glorious destiny, which awaits our beloved country.—

—Yours etc.,

V. R. SHIRODKAR

Cambay, Dec. 2.

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cially trained and well-paid municipal executive are surely expected to respond to this appeal, to realize their responsibilities and to play a much more intelligent and constructive part than before in the reorganisation of cities and societies.

What, after all, is a Municipality? It is not merely the corporation or council elected by the city to conduct its affairs. It is the entire body of citizens belonging to the city. Every citizen of Bombay, therefore, shares in the success or failure of the Municipal Corporation.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Unity In Hyderabad

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's stern warning to the rival States peoples' organisations in Hyderabad that until they composed their differences and achieved unity in the programmes of service to the State and the people, there could be no possibility of terminating the pesent military administration and setting up an interim government as proposed by the parties, would appear to have gone home to their leaders. The prospects of the two main organisations, the one led by Swami Ramanand Tirth and the other composed mostly of those who had been expelled from the former because of their alleged lukewarmness of back-sliding during the State Congress's struggle with the previous regime, are stated to be bright. The one solution of the deadlock that has been suggested, namely, that the State Congress should withdraw its ban simultaneously with the dissolution of the rival body and that the latter's members should be freely permitted to participate in the deliberations of the Congress, offers an honourable way-out to both the sides and should be accepted by them unreservedly. Else, disunity and divided counsels in popular ranks will lead only to a further postponement of the dawn of self-Government in the State.

Sir Akbar Hydari

A distinguished son of a distinguished father Sir Akbar Hydari, whose sudden and untimely death has shocked the whole country, was one of the most popular officials in the country. When he was appointed a member of the Expanded Executive Council of the Viceroy Sir Akbar Hydari assumed charge of the same portfolio, the Information Department, as was held by his eminent father. It was a happy coincidence. As member for Information Sir Akbar Hydari established very friendly relations with the Press and did the best he could to meet its point of view. His services in various fields were rewarded by his selection as Governor of Assam, a selection that was endorsed by the present Government of India whose confidence he fully enjoyed and justified.

Egypt's Misfortune

Another Egyptian Premier has fallen victim to a terrorist's bullet. Ahmed Maher Pasha, whom Nokrashy Pasha succeeded as Premier, was assassinated in Parliament in February, 1945. The assassin of Nokrashy Pasha is a member of the Ikhwan-ul-Muslamein, the Muslim Brotherhood, which has a very large following but which was recently banned by Nokrashy Pasha because a number of its members had been developing a terrorist line of action. There is a widespread feeling of discontent in Egypt because of the failure of the Government to bring about a satisfactory settlement of the Palestine and Sudan issues. But for this failure Nokrashy Pasha was no more responsible than are the heads of the Arab League for the present tragic deadlock in Palestine. It is Egypt's misfortune that a section of its youth are so misguided as to believe that terroristic activities will serve their country's interests. Nokrashy Pasha's assassination is specially to be deplored because, as the Arab League Secretariat statement on his death says, he "was at the vanguard of Arab leaders who founded the Arab League and participated in consolidating its structure from the first day of its struggle for Arab unity."

The Diehards At The U. N.

The frequency with which Indonesia is being argued in the Security Council, is not altogether a waste of time and effort. By watching the reactions to the different variations on the one theme, Dutch aggression, it is possible to sort out the reactionary members who are in effect Dutch allies. Belgium and France were to be expected among these. No one expected to find Britain which did support the American resolution in the first instance, suddenly developing a desire to help out the Dutch In the Chinese resolution on Indonesia asking the Dutch to release Dr Soekarno and others, eight nations voted for it. Britain joining France and Belgium in abstaining from the vote. Here we have now got the four imperial Powers which cannot be expected to rise above their common colonial aims and intentions. The majority required for a nonaction resolution, it is true, has been now won, but the difficulties in the way of an action resolution are increased since Britain, another Permanent Member of the Security Council, has joined the French opposition. And the need for action is now become acute.

Why Discriminate?

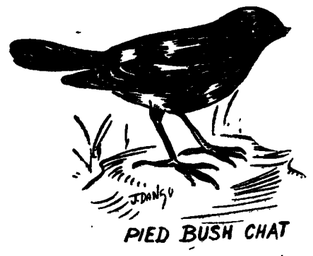
Though the hands of the Soviet delegate are by no means clean, Mr. Malik's questions to Britain were well put. The British delegate to the Security Council has tabled an "armistice" resolution on Palestine which displays an admirable sense of international responsibility. It calls on both Jew and Arab to withdraw their forces and end the fighting in the Negev desert But evidently the same medicine cannot be applied to Indonesia. It is a point worth considering whether international issues should be decided on obvious prejudices of this kind. On the other hand, it is a matter for grave disquiet that all over the aggressors are succeeding in ignoring the Security Council and forcing the United Nations virtually to accept the verdict of force. The reason for this is the reluctance of the Big Powers who have the deciding voice on all matters, to pursue a definite policy.

Kashmir Kite-flying

The formula reported to have been evolved at the U. N. is not likely to rouse any interest. The proposal to start with a division of Kashmir, with Sheikh Abdullah in control of the "Indian-occupied territory" in Kashmir and with the "Azad Kashmir" leaders in control of the "Pakistan-occupied" areas, might seem very clever to internationalists but it is a scandalous farce which India cannot agree to. There is no such thing as "Indian-occupied" territory in Kashmir. There are territories where India at the request for aid of the Kashmir Government has stepped in to clear the State raiders. Nor is there any "Pakistan-occupied" area. But there are Pakistan molested parts of Kashmir. There is no point in Good Offices Commission exert itself to produce these ingenious devices which will not do any good and can only impress the concerned parties with a sense of utter futility of the Commission.

OPEN AIR

Black, white and black and white are colours which feature largely in the plumage of birds, and we have Crows, Cormorants and Coot which are mainly black, Egrets and Paradise Flycatchers (male) mostly white and the Magpie Robin, Pied Kingfisher, and Pied Crested Cuckoo and others which are black and white. Another member of the pied, black and white category is the Pied Bush Chat, a little bird slightly smaller than a sparrow, which is commonly seen in open country, now perching with quivering wings and tail on the tip of a tall grass stem, now flying down to catch an insect espied on the ground, now flying off with rather weak jerky flight to another perch at a little distance, perhaps to warble out a faint trilling little song. Whatever it does, it draws attention to itself by its glossy black and white plumage which gleams in the sunshine. The female, as is so often the case in bird life, is more sober in colouring than her mate, and where he is black she is earthy brown, while her underparts are greyish buff instead of white and she has a rust coloured patch under the tail. Incidentally, these differences between male and female make bird identification very difficult for the beginner, for many are so completely different in colouring that one can hardly believe that they are both of the same species. For this reason I have found Whistler's Handbook of Indian Birds a great help to me, for he gives very detailed descriptions particularly in cases where the immature bird or the female differs from the male.



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SOUTH AFRICA FORCED TO FOLLOW ON

B. Mitchell And L. Wade Miss Centuries

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 29. (Reuter): With only a day's play left in the Second Test Match between England and South Africa, the home side needs 265 runs to avert an innings defeat with nine of their second innings' wickets intact. Continuing their first innings with the total at 92 for the loss of two wickets the South Africans were dismissed in their first innings shortly after the tea interval for 315 and following on they lost Wynn in compiling 28 runs before stumps were drawn for the day.

Wright started the day very well for England, getting Nourse leg before wicket with the fourth ball of his first over. The ball was a googly which nipped through. Then Bruce Mitchell, one of the finest defensive batsmen in the world, and Walter Wade, the wicket-keeper by resolute and correct methods, wore down the English attack and added 95 runs for the fourth wicket. At the lunch interval Mitchell was batting with 82 and Wade with 46 in a total of 178 for the loss of three wickets.

Bruce Mitchell was out soon after lunch, having batted more than four and a half hours for 86, but Wade, judiciously combining agression with a strong defence, remained firm until the last over before tea, when he was caught for 85. South Africa's total of 273 for 8 wickets at the tea interval was still 335 runs behind England. Lindsay Tuckett, dropped for the third Test was unbeaten with 21 having helped in an eighth wicket stand which produced 38 runs.

South Africa added 42 runs after the tea interval before their last wicket fell with the total at 315, still 293 runs behind England's first innings total of 608. The ninth wicket partnership between Tuckett and Mann added 40 runs before the former was stumped for 38. Two runs later the South African innings terminated.

Following on the home team lost another wicket before stumps were drawn for the day. Wynne was dismissed by Bedser with the total at 15, but Rowan and Mitchell thereafter remained together until stumps were drawn.

SCORE-BOARD

ENGLAND (First Innings) 608

SOUTH AFRICA (First Innings)

E. Rowan lbw b Bedser	8
L. Wynn lbw b Wright	4
B. Mitchell b Gladwin	86
D. Nourse lbw b Wright	32
W. Wade c Evans b Compton	85
D. Begbie c Watkins b Jenkins	5
O. Dawson c Watkins b Jenkins	12
A. Rowan b Wright	8
L. Tuckett st Evans b Watkins	38
N. Mann st Evans b Jenkins	23
C. McCarthy (not out)	1
Extras	13
TOTAL	315

FALL OF WICKETS— 1. 12, 2. 17, 3. 96, 4. 191, 5. 204, 6. 220, 7. 235, 8. 273, 9. 313 and 10. for 315.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bedser	22	6	42	1
Gladwin	20	6	29	1
Jenkins	21.4	3	88	3
Wright	26	2	104	3
Compton	10	0	34	1
Watkins	5	2	5	1

SOUTH AFRICA (Second Innings)

E. Rowan (not out)	17
O. Wynne lbw b Bedser	4
B. Mitchell (not out)	7
Extras	0
TOTAL (for 1 wicket)	28

FALL OF WICKET: 1. 15.

G. I. P. "B" LODGE A PROTEST

Sequel To Disallowing Of Bully

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Catholic Gymkhana were rather lucky to gain both points in their first division encounter with G.I.P. Rly 'B' when they won by the odd goal in three.

Catholic Gymkhana scored both their goals in the first half when Martins lying handy pushed the ball past the goalie and then a little later centre forward D'Mello shot with a terrific hit. Then G.I.P. Rly. attacked and it looked as though they would win, but towards the closing stages of the first half Catholic Gymkhana's goalkeeper,—Noronha, held a scooped ball in his hand and the referee Stevens awarded a penalty bully which was taken by Harry Fernandes and the ball rolled out of the dee when pushed by Noronha, but play was continued and Harry Fernandes pushed the ball into goal when the goalkeeper saved with his pads and the ball went out of play; the referee should have awarded a goal or a re-bully but he asked for a twenty-five yard bully which was glaring blunder.

On resumption both sides were maintaining pressure and G.I.P. Rly. attacked and very nearly scored but their award came when from a penalty corner Dalgado scored off a rebound. In the last minute of play referee Felix Fernandes ordered G.I.P. Rly's. centre half Roy off the field for back chatting. Catholic Gymkmana lasted out winners, but G.I.P. Rly. have lodged a protest against the penalty bully decision.

In the earlier game St. Xaviers College "C" bbeats Brother's Hockey Clu by three goals to one in the Second Division of the league. St. Xavier's goal scorer's were Coutinho, Pereira and D'Costa while E. D'Souzra reduced the margin for the losers.

Misra Enters Final

Defeats N. Kumar In Straight Sets

CALCUTTA, Dec. 29 (API): India's number one, Sumant Misra, entered the final of the National Lawn Tennis Championships today by beating Naresh Kumar in the semi-final in three straight sets 6/1, 6/1, 6/3. Misra thus avenged his defeat at the Hand of Kumar in the final of the Bengal Lawn Tennis Championships.

This will be Misra's third consecutive final in the National Championships.

Narendra Nath moved into the semi-final today at the expense of Kantawala, and Dilip Bose and Narendranath entered the final of the Men's doubles by defeating Vishnu Mohan and G. Narayan.

Misra's match with Naresh Kumar overshadowed the bill of fare today. Misra produced his best form in the first set and got a flying start to lead 4/0. This appeared to give Kumar a touch of nerves and he conceded the first at 6/1.

In the second set Misra dropped the first game on his own service and then went on to lead 2/1. In the fourth game Kumar was completely demoralised, when, after leading 40/15 he failed to secure the winner which would have leveled the scores at 2-all. Misra took the game after six deuces had been called. At this stage Kumar double-fauled thrice and Misra consolidated his position by acing him three times and ran out at 6/1.

Kumar appeared to rally somewhat in the third set when he led 3/1 on his service. Misra at this stage was hitting out in his anxiety to force a decision. But he steadied himself, and reeled off five games in a row to claim the set and the match.

The following are today's results:—

S. C. Misra beat Naresh Kumar 6/1, 6/1, 6/3; Narendra Nath beat J. M. Kantawala 6/2, 6/0; Khwaja Saeed Hai beat I. D. Taylor 3/6, 6/2, 6/4; (Juniors' finau) Dilip K. Bose and Narendra Nath beat Vishnu Mohan and G. Narayan 6/2, 6/1; S. C. Misra and Mrs. S. R. Mody beat J. M. Kantawala and Miss P. Khanna 9/7, 6/2.

EUROPEAN SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Richmond Being Used As Training Centre

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter): The ice figure skating championships of Finland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia, and possibly the European and world titles as well, are likely to be won indirectly this season on the skating rink of Richmond, Surrey.

Since the summer, three leading skaters from Czechoslovakia, two from Hungary and two from Finland, some of the cream of Europe's talent, have been training at Richmond for their own national championship, the world championships in Paris next February and the European event in Milan next January. They have been getting up early before six o'clock and working on the ice for six hours.

There is a two fold reason for their pligrimage: in Eastern Europe there are few indoor rinks, and open ice is unsuitable for use until about this time of the year.

The three Czechoslovakian skaters have already returned to their country because now the natural ice is heard enough for them to give exhibitions there.

All the skaters came to Richmond to make use of the facilities, and to have magic put into their skates by the senior instructor, Arnold Gerschwiler, trainer of Hans Gerschwiler, his nephew, last year's champion, and Daphne Walker, British title holder in 1946.

Gerschwiler's star pupil was Aja Vrzanova, Czechoslovakian champion, dark haired, long legged beauty of 17, whose magnificient free skating will place her high in the world list this season.

Others who took part in the daily international ice gala at the skating league of nations were Ede Kiraly and Miss Andrea Kekessy, individual champions of Hungary and pair champions of Europe.

GERMANS ALLOWED TO ENTER IN A. A. U. EVENTS

LAKE PLACID (NEW YORK), Dec. 28 (Reuter): The United States Amateur Athletic Union Committee announced today that it had approved the entry of German teams in the National and North American Championships here in February.

Approval of the entry of Germans in the World Championships, also to be run here, has been held up by protests from Belgium and Switzerland.

The National A. A. U. Committee is the final judge of who may compete in the National and North American Championships.

The decision to allow German teams to compete was announced by the Committee chairman, Mr. H. L. Garren, who said that German-American sports clubs of New York had raised a substantial fund to help the German team meet expenses.

The World Championships will be held on January 29 and 30 and on February 5 and 6.

The North American Championships are scheduled for February 12 and 13 and the National Championships for February 19 and 20.

BALAM AND KHAN SAHEB MOVE ATTRACTIVELY

(BY OUR TRACK REPORTER)

The following track-trials have been noted at Mahaluxmi:—

RACE GRASS

CHACOLATE BABY (Chavan) sent round the course, did the last ten furlongs in 2 mins. 20 secs.

KUNIGAL STAR (Chavan) held PERIVALE (Purtu) when covering ten furlongs in 2 mins. 21 secs.

Trainer Buckley tried NAVVARA (Jagdish) and PRAVINA (Evans) over ten furlongs last afternoon. The first-named grey was trifle better and clocked 1 min. 47½ secs. for the last eight furlongs.

RED RUFUS (Bhoor) MA CHERIE (R.B.) and AYAAZ (R.B.) covered ten furlongs in 2 mins. 21 secs. The first-named started three lengths ahead and finished likewise.

INDEPENDENCE (Shaikh) had easy measure of NAVROZE (Rickaby) when covering six furlongs in 1 min 20 secs.

SIMON'S SISTER (R.B.) showed out from PROSPERO (Rickaby) and MAKFAR (Shaikh) lay further four lengths away at the end of a noteworthy mile gallop. Timing 1 min. 48 secs.

ABBESS (Rickaby) outclassed CRESCENDO (Purshottam) when covering a mile in 1 min. 50 secs.

HER EXCELLENCY (Shiba) and BASHIR (Rickaby) recorded impressive track-work. Bashir was pulled up at the one and HER EXCELLENCY, who is now in fine fettle covered nine furlongs in 2 mins. 3 secs.

TAN

BALAM (Evans) and TAKE ON (Kheem) travelled at a fair pace over a mile. The pair clocked 1 min. 53 secs. for a mile. The former is now at his best and is expected to trot home in the 200 Guineas.

PRINCE OF RAMGARH (Chavan) outclassed DUKE OF RAMGARH (Dashrat) when covering a mile in 1 min. 50 secs.

FILMINDIA (Dashrat) covered nine furlongs in 2 mins. 7½ secs.

KHAN SAHEB (Kasbekar) covered ten furlongs in 2 mins. 20 secs. MARATHA MANDIR (Deshmukh) joined him at the six.

EASTERN JEST (Cunningham) put up a good show when covering ten furlongs in 2 mins. 18½ secs. The first-named was sent again round the course and was joined by ILLICIT (Argade) at the six. They negotiated a mile in 1 min. 52 secs.

NEAR IMAGE (Guman) held JUST WAIT (Khade) when covering seven furlongs in 1 min. 35 secs.

GAMBLE FOR LOVE (Kheem) moved hard held when covering five furlongs in 1 min. 9 secs.

COCKPIT PRIDE (Cunningham) and ARMY AND NAVY (Argade) covered five furlongs in 1 min. 8 secs.

CLITHEROE (Aurobinda) covered the last three in 38½ secs.

ACCEPTANCES

The following are the Acceptances for Saturday, January 1st 1949:—

THE NAVSARI PLATE (Div. II)—Distance 5 Furlongs.

(To be ridden by Indian, Half and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.)

Belle Amie 8-7, Georgette 8-7, Rukhsana 8-7, Topflight 8-7, Malka-e-Alam 8-7, Aafrin 8-7, Kantaka 8-7, Grace Darling 8-7, Tamanna 8-7, Ummeed 8-7, Ati's Pride 8-7, Honey Bunch 8-7, Night Queen 8-7, Cheery Blossom 8-7.

THE NAVSARI PLATE (Div. I)—Distance 5 Furlongs.

(To be ridden by Indian, Half and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances).

Dinkie 8-7, Smiles and Tears 8-7, Nynon 8-7, Viveca 8-7, True Love 8-7, Whirlwind 8-7, Andromeda 8-7, The Girl Friend 7-7, Why Again 8-7, Princessa 8-7, Tabassum 8-7, Gable for Love 8-7, Magic Hour 8-7, Maha Maya 8-7, Great Lady 8-7, Queen Elizabeth 8-7.

THE BORIVLI PLATE (Div. I)—Distance 7 Furlongs.

(To be ridden by Indian, Half and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances).

Kotidhwaj 9-1, Little John 9-0, Gay Sire 8-12, Chetna 8-11, Ma Cherie 8-11, Kalpna 8-8, Princess Marnock 8-8, Sinhgarh 8-8, Gwalior Express 8-6, Battle Out 8-6, Sir Galahad 8-6, Untamed Prince 8-4, Ganga Singh 8-4, On and On 8-4, Dark Roy 8-2, Midinete 8-2, Hind Vijay 8-0, Puri Pakodi 7-6

THE C.C. GULLILAND PLATE—Distance 1 Mile.

Deepak Mahal 10-6, Shan-e-Hind 7-8, Laxmi Vilas 9-4, Paper King 7-11, Some Treasure 7-8, Parting Summer 7-6, Kirti 7-4, Quicksand 7-0.

THE AGA KHAN'S CUP—Distance (about) 1½ Miles.

Priorate 9-0, Ferial 8-4, Jane Jigar 8-2, Eastern Jest 8-0, Khan Saheb 7-13 Pravina 7-11, Kirti 7-9, Jawahar 7-4, Kunigal Star 7-4, Meduri 7-4.

THE OKARA PLATE—Distance 7 Furlongs.

Flying Arrow 9-3, Churchill 9-2, Adeline 9-0, Tomcat 8-11, Bhopal Star 8-9, Maid of Honour 8-9, Maratha Mandir 8-8, Truman 8-5, Find Out 8-4, Baaz Bahadur 8-4, Parthian 8-4, Dev Doot 8-3, Same Again 8-0, M. & B. 8-0, Morton Daisy 8-0, Windsor Park 8-0, Paramount Power 8-0, Sohni 7-13, Shubh Luxmi 7-11.

THE INDIAN 2,000 GUINEAS—Distance 1 Mile.

Take On 8-11, Balam 8-11, Aman 8-11, Crescent 8-11, Prince of Ramgarh 8-11, Prospero 8-11, Masked Player 8-11, Spring Chicken 8-11, Kotidhwaj 8-11, Battling Admiral 8-11 Bavaji 8-11, Ironside 8-8.

THE VELLARD PLATE—Distance 1 Mile.

Dr. Barry 9-5, Filmindia 9-3, Cocktop 9-2, Saita 9-0, Mandil 8-13, Hurry On 8-10, Hooded Terror 8-1, Game Bid 8-9, Queen of Gwalior 8-9, Shah Nawaz 7-11, Crescent 8-8, Rolls Royce 8-6, Nirvana 8-5, Abbess 8-5, Rana Pratap 8-4, Fast Worker 8-0, Clitheroe 7-6, Happy Returns 7-13, Gay Pilot 7-13, Bavaji 7-12, Bronzewing 7-9, Put All 7-5.

THE BORIVLI PLATE (Div. II)—Distance 7 Furlongs.

(To be ridden on even terms by Apprentice Jockeys who have not ridden 5 or more winners).

Nasrullah 9-0, Kaumari 8-13, Man Mandir 8-12, Jai Malhar 8-4, Morning 8-10, Bella 8-8, Esmail Pasha 8-7, Jahan Zaib 8-4, Who's That 8-2, Adorable 7-12, Sarojini 7-12, Maha Nanda 7-9, Crepe de Chine 7-9, Lakshmi Devi 7-7.

TWO CHANGES IN S.A.'S THIRD TEST SIDE

Melville And Henley Included

CAPE TOWN, Dec 29 (Reuter). Alan Melville, who captained the South African cricket team which toured England in 1947, has been recalled by the South African selectors for the third Test against England starting here on Saturday. Melville who had suffered from a dislocated wrist is now completely fit.

The team shows only two changes from that which played in the first and second Tests, Melville and Martin Hanley, an offbreak bowler, replacing Eric Rowan and Lindsay Tuckett. Inclusion of Melville should considerably strengthen South Africa batting.

The Team is:—

A. D. Nourse (Capt.), A. Melville, Wynne, B Mitchell, D. Begbie, W. Wade, G. Dawson, A. Rowan, M. Hanley, C. McCarthy and N. Mann with J. Cheetham twelfth man.

Bombay All Out For 264 Against Ceylon

COLOMBO, Dec. 29 (API). Continuing their first innings with the total at 131 for 3 wickets, Bombay were all out by lunch time on the second day for 264 runs in the inter-University match with Ceylon University.

SCORE-BOARD

CEYLON (First Innings) 148

BOMBAY (First Innings)

B. R. Irani run out	57
P. G. Jashi c Thamlib b M Pereira	58
D. K. Gaikwad lbw b Weerakoon	0
G. S. Ramchand c C. D. L. Fernando b Moujood	27
P. R. Umrigar c M. Perera b T. L. Perera	31
M. P. Modh c and b Moujood	35
K. C. Abdullah c Moujood b Fernando	11
M. M. Moeiddin c Anton Perera b Moujood	19
M. G. Dalvie not out	10
R. H. Shodan c Fernando b Moujood	3
S. G. Gupte b Weerakaoon	6
Extras	7
Total	214

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-102, 2-109, 3-109, 4-158, 5-192, 6-216, 7-245, 8-245, 9-251, and 10-264.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O	M.	R.	W.
T. L. Perera	13	3	51	1
C. D. L. Fernando	9	1	31	1
S. M. Moujood	30	5	42	4
R. Weerakoon	3	3	96	2
M. Perera	25	11	37	1

In The Days Sport

HOCKEY

Association Ground

2-45 p.m.—Siddarth vs Podar (Inter-College Hockey), 3-45 p.m.—Dockyard 'B' vs St. Xavier's Association (Division II), 4-45 p.m.—St. Xavier's College 'B' vs Goan Sports 'A' (Division I).

St. Xavier's Ground, Parel

3 p.m.—St Sebastian H.S. vs Antonio D'Souza H.S., 4 p.m.—St Xavier's H.S. vs St. Stanislaus H.S., 5 p.m.—Bombay Army vs. Khatau S.C.

TENNIS

St. Xavier's College Courts

2-30 p.m.—Inter-Collegiate Tennis Tournament.

WEST INDIES CRICKETERS ENTERTAINED

CALCUTTA, Dec. 29 (API): The West Indies cricket team was presented with silver badges of the Cricket Association of Bengal at an "at home" given in their honour on the Calcutta Cricket Club lawns, Eden Garden, this evening when a large and representative gathering of sportsmen was present.

In welcoming the West Indies cricket team to Calcutta Mr. J. C. Mukerjee, President of the Cricket Association of Bengal, said that the distinguished visitors had endeared themselves to the public of Bengal by their exemplary behaviour both on and off the field and wished them long life, prosperity and success in the field of cricket.

J. B. Stollmeyer in reply thanked the Cricket Association of Bengal for their kind hospitality and said that the Eden Gardens ground was one of the best in India and expressed the hope that the third Test match due to commence there on December 31 would provide a definite result.

The tourists were then entertained to a variety programme of Indian music and dances in which they evinced keen interest.

MAHARASHTRA TO MEET SAURASHTRA IN FINAL

Cooch Behar Trophy For All-India Schools Tourney

POONA, Dec. 29 (API): Maharashtra and Saurashtra will meet each other in the final of the All-India School's Cricket Tournament for the Cooch Behar Trophy by virtue of their convincing wins over Bengal and Holkar respectively in the two semi-finals today.

Bengal, who were 76 for 4 yesterday, collected 137 runs in their first innings in reply to Maharashtra's 260. Following on, Bengal struggled for runs to save an inning's defeat but fell short of that objective by two runs. They could put up only 121, leaving Maharashtra winners by an inning's and two runs. Dani from the home side captured three of Bengal's wickets for 30 runs in their first innings, and Gurav and Herwade took three wickets each for 26 and 33 runs respectively in Bengal's second innings.

Continuing their first innings today, Saurashtra, who had made 175 runs for 8 wickets yesterday, carried their overnight total to 220 before their last wicket fell. Holkar, going in for the second time with a deficit of 114 runs to avert an innings defeat collapsed against the bowling of Vadgama who captured five Holkar wickets for 23 runs and were all out for a poor total of 84, and lost the match to Saurashtra by an inning's and 30 runs.

THE SCORES:

Maharashtra 260 beat, Bengal 137 and 121 by an innings and 2 runs.

Saurashtra 220 beat Holkar 106 and 84 by an innings and 30 runs.

G. M. COLLEGE WIN

Inter-College Hockey

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Grant Medical College beat E. C. and R.I.S. easily and had things their own way when they won their Inter-Collegiate match by five goals to one.

In the first half Motivala opened the Medicals account and Puri scored the second goal thereafter. In the second half Puri scored again for the Medicals and Billimoria and M. D'Souza further piled up the score but Vasist reduced the score. The standard of hockey served in the Inter-College League has been very poor and some members seem to be playing the game for the first time.

PAREL HOCKEY LEAGUE

BOMBAY, Wednesday

Scoring a goal in each half Bhimraj Sports Club found no dificulty in accounting for Dockyard "B" by two goals to nil in the Senior Division of the Parel Hockey League this evening at the St. Xavier's College Ground Parel. Kadam and More were responsible for their sides victory.

Other results:

Div. I. Times "B" 0, Overseas Comm. Service 0.

Div. III. Mazagaon Docks "B" 2 (Wright), Khar Selected 0.

C. P. And Berar Olympics

(From Our Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, (By Mail).

The C. P. and Berar Olympic Association has decided to hold the annual tournaments at Jubbulpore in the third week of January next. Dr. V. S. Jha, Secretary, Education Department, Government of C. P. and Berar has been elected as President of the Association with K. B. Syed Zakir Ali and Shrimati Vimla Bai Deshpande, Parliamentary Secretary, C. P. and Berar as vice-presidents and Shri P. K. Varghera and Shri S. I. Hussain as honorary secretaries and Shri P. C. Deb as honorary treasurer.

The dates of the C. P. and Berar Olympic Games have been fixed on January 21, 22 and 23, 1949, and the entries may be sent to the managers or the honorary General Secretary of the Association.

ENGLAND'S SOCCER TOUR

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter): English international soccer strength will undergo a severe test next May when in a lightning continental tour England play three full international matches and one "B" game within the spell of ten days.

Sweden, Norway and France provide the main opposition with Finland testing the "B" side.

In none of the matches can England expect such an easy time as in the recent London international against Switzerland. The Swiss, although possessing the distinction of being the only team to have beat England since the war, have fallen away since their 1947 win in Zurich and must now be fairly low in the international soccer rankings. England probably have most to fear from Olympic champion Sweden, who are considered by many experts to be top succer nation on the Continent.

But soccer in France is reported to be on the upgrade, and as the Paris match is the last of the strenuous tour, France might well rise to the occasion.

Looking further ahead there is already speculation as to which continental nation will provide England's opposition during the next English soccer season.

Favourites at the most are Italy, who on their last trip in 1934 were beaten 3/2 by England. That Italian side was generally regarded as one of the roughest ever to visit England. But Italy has come a long way since then and when England beat Italy 4/0 in Turin last year, the Italians' conduct on the field was exemplary.

SHEFFIELD SHIELD CRICKET

MELBOURNE, Dec. 29 (Reuter): New South Wales had to be content with first innings lead over Victoria in their Sheffield Shield match which ended in a tame draw here today.

The final scores were:

New South Wales: 334. and 200 for 6 wickets (declared).

Victoria 187 and 98 for 4 wickets.

Expectations that New South Wales would attempt to force victory faded when only 76 runs were added before lunch. New South Wales, 65 for two overnight, did no go for the runs even when they were 250 runs ahead and ironical cheers greeted the occasional single.

J. McRoney scored a not out century which included seven fours in three hours. Arthur Morris made 39.

Victoria set to get 348 in 165 minutes concentrated on playing out time to gain the one Shield point for a draw. F. Johnston claimed three of the four Victorian wickets which fell at a personal cost of 32 runs.

Japan To Form National Olympic Committee

TOKYO, Dec. 29 (Reuter): Japan, in preparation for her eventual reentry into international sport, is to form a National Olympic Committee in the near future.

This is inspite of opinion expressed by the Australian Olympic Committee against Japan's rebirth as a participant in world sport.

Australia's attitude, the Japanese news agency reported today, has not proved a damper on the enthusiasm of Japanese sportsmen. Rather has it been an incentive to them to reach a higher level of sportsmanship to make them acceptable to the entire world.

$ 500,000 Suit Against J. Louis

CHICAGO, Dec. 28 (Reuter): Joe Louis ended a seven-month legal fight today by agreeing to accept service of a 500,000 dol. alienation of a affections suit against him.

Agreement was reached in the Chicago Superior Court between Mr. Matthew C. Faulkner aged 32 of Atlanta, Georgia, who is suing, and Mr. Truman Gibson, Junior, the heavyweight champion's lawyer. Since May, Louis has held that two attempts to serve him the notice were illegal. In one attempt, it was handed to Louis's wife, Marva, in her Chicago home. In the other Louis was served while playing in a golf tournament. He contended that his legal residence was in New York City, and that he must be served there.

Mr. Faulkner alleged Louis alienated the affections of his wife Mattie Carrie, a old negro model.

Mr. Gibson said he will move that the suit be dismissed.

Congress Victory Ensured

(From Our Own Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, Dec. 28.

Dr. B. D. Dua, President, the Damoh Congress Committee, as its nominee to contest the election for the presidentship of the Municipal Committee and had further set up 15 candidates on its ticket to contest the election from 15 out of 16 wards.

The election of the President was held direct by the voters on the basis of adult franchise. The voters were polled today and it is estimated that of the 16,000 voters, over 60 to 65 per cent exercised their right to vote. The votes will be counted on Dec. 31 and the Congress is sure of a big victory in the election.

U. S. AIRPORT SPECIALIST TO ASSIST CEYLON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (API): The United States civil aeronautics administration disclosed today that one of its airport specialists Mr. Francis J. Rhody, is now in Ceylon making a ten-wee survey of Ratmalana airport.

Express of the survey will be borne by the Ceylon Government which requested American assistance in a rehabilitation programme.

The survey is an early step in developing Ratmalana into an international airport.

Mr. Rhody will make a complete analysis of the field furnish engineering advice and otherwise assist the Ceylon Government.

U.S. Airmen Marooned On Greenland Rescued

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (Reuter): Twelve American airmen, marooned on a Greenland icecap, some of them for three weeks, were rescued today, the United States air forces announced.

The men were picked up by a dakota operating from an air base 270 miles north-west of the crash scene and specially equipped with skis for the landing an air force official said that only 12 men may have been taken off the icecap, but this was not certain the air force count has been 13 marooned.

The air force corrected previous announcements that 13 men were stranded on the ice peak and confirmed that 12 were rescued.

The department had assumed that two men were aboard a glider which was grounded in one rescue attempt when actually only one man was aboard.

ALL ELPHINSTONE WOMEN'S DOUBLES FINAL ASSURES THEM CHAMPIONSHIP

Miss Kundaji To Meet Last Year's Champion Miss Gopaldas In Singles Final Of Inter-College Tennis

BOMBAY, Wednesday

Interest centred round the one match which was very vital to the Elphinstone College in the Inter-College Tennis Tournament, played this afternoon. — that between their first women's doubles pair and that of the Gordhandas Sunderdas Medical College. And by virtue of their victory in this all-important match, the Elphinstone College and Royal Institute of Science have made certain of retaining the Team Championship. This will be their third successive victory in Tennis Team Championship of Bombay Colleges. They have the honour of winning it for the last two years.

Once again the women players of the E.C. & R.I.Sc., came to the rescue of their "alma mater", and but for them they would not have even a decent chance of retaining their championship they won last year.

Miss Kundaji and Miss Bhandare of the Elphinstone combined very well and the extremely accurate first service of the former told in the end. On the other hand Miss Gopaldas of the G.S.M. was very erratic in her service, and threw away many a game by serving double faults. The G.S.M. team had lost the first set at 3-4, and were actually down 0-4 in the second, when everything looked all over for them, but Miss Gopaldas and Miss Parmanand encouraged by the enthusiastic cheering of their supporters attempted to make a fight of it, and very nearly succeeded. Winning the next five games off the reel, they had a set point in their favour, when Miss Gopaldas "netted" two drives in succession, and lost game, and with it the advantage too. For they lost the next two games, to lose a very interesting encounter.

This victory as mentioned earlier, made all the difference to the Elphinstone College, as it gave them a certain eight points in the event, as compared to the four that they would have got had they lost this match. Their other pair incidentally also was expected to come into the final, and did later in the evening.

Miss Gopaldas and Miss Kundaji earned the honour of measuring their strength against each other in the Women's Singles Final, by their comparatively easy victories over their opponents in the semi-final this afternoon.

Miss Kundaji beat Miss Sheila Jadhav from Ruia, 6-2, 6-0 in the two sets. Playing again a very shaky game, Miss Gopaldas was taken to 6-3 and 6-4 in the two games in the other semi-final by Miss Irani of the G.M.C.

In addition to the fixtures fixed for the day, the semi-final of the Men's Doubles between Jain and Dalal (Nat. Med.) and J. K. and R. K. Umrigar (St. Xavier's), fixed for Sunday, was played off today, and in a purely one-sided game the Medicos won by 6-2, 6-0 in two sets.

Jain was particularly in a very good form today, and it will not be difficult for him to bag both the Singles and the Men's Doubles events.

The following were the results:—

WOMEN'S SINGLES

SEMI-FINALS: Miss Nirmala Gopaldas (G.S.M. "A") beat Miss Piroja Irani (G.M.C.), 6-3, 6-4; Miss Kundaji (E.C. & R.I.Sc. "A") beat Miss Sheila Jadhav (Ruia "A"), 6-2, 6-0.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

SEMI-FINALS: Miss A. Singh and Miss S. Singh (E.C & R.I.Sc. "B") beat Miss Aloo Mehta and Miss Alimchandani (G.M.C. "B"), 7-5, 6-3, Miss Kundaji and Miss Ramola Bhandare (E.C. & R.I.Sc. "A") beat Miss Nirmala Gopaldas and Miss Meera Parmanand (G.S.M. "A"), 6-4, 7-5.

MEN'S DOUBLES

SEMI-FINAL: R. K. Jain and H. Dalal (Nat. Med. "A") beat R. K. and J. K. Umrigar (St. Xavier's "B"), 6-2, 6-0.

BOMBAY RACES

8TH WINTER MEETING Saturday 1st January, 1949

9TH WINTER MEETING

Sunday 2nd January, 1949

DAY ENTRANCE

FIRST: Gents Rs. 5/8 Ladies Rs. 3/8 ‖ SECOND: Rs. 3/8

RACING UNDER IDEAL CONDITIONS

RESEARCH IN UNIVERSITIES MUST BE ENCOURAGED

Dr. Mudaliar's Plea At Madras Conference

MADRAS, Dec. 29, (A.P.I.): "The crying need of the hour is the encouragement of research in all Universities and a due recognition of the part research, fundamental and applied plays in the national life of the country, observed Dr A. Lakshmanaswami Mudaliar, Vice-Chancellor of the Madras University, presiding over the sixth quin-quennial Inter-Universities Conference at Senate House today.

Vice-Chancellor and representatives from 23 Universities of India, Ceylon and Burma, and prominent educationists of the province attended the conference. Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, Chairman and members of the University Commission at present in Madras were also present.

Welcoming the distinguished educationists from all over India and abroad, Dr. Mudaliar said that special significance attached to the present conference in that it was the first to be held after the attainment of independence by the country and the delegates attending the conference were representing the Universities of free nations. He particularly welcomed the representatives from Burma and Ceylon—two countries which like India attained their freedom recently and said: "We greatly appreciate their presence here and their membership of the Inter-University Board, as thereby they have helped us to prove that in the academic world, geographical limitations are no barriers and the common purposes which universities have in view do help to bring together votaries at the shrine of learning, imbued with common aims, common ideals and common hopes and aspirations." He hoped that with efflux of time and with a clear realisation of the aims and ideals which they cherished deeply, representatives of more Universities who had been associated with them in the past would join them for the general advance of University education.

"Political independence which we have achieved". Dr. Mudaliar said, "will be permanent and effective only if we could simultaneously achieve a degree of freedom in other spheres of national activity" In the field of intellectual achievement in the realm of knowledge and in the sphere of original through and contribution these newly won free and freedom loving countries should strive to achieve that position and status that would give them an honoured place in the intellectual map of the world and on none is that responsibility greater than on the Universities, whose legitimate duty it is to foster and strengthen, to enlarge and broadbase all such activities.

DR. MUDALIAR'S WARNING

At the same time, Dr. Mudaliar wanted them to be guarded against the danger in their first flush of independence of cutting adrift from all former contacts trying new methods and launching on new standards in their Universities. "Let us clearly realise that independence in any sphere of activity does not mean freedom unrestricted but implies freedom under self-imposed limitations which in some cases may be more severe than in the past."

Emphasising the importance of research in all Universities Dr. Mudaliar said: "In my travels abroad I have ben struck with the fact that today it is not Under-Graduate education that is the main subject of attention, but Graduate Education and research. Large endowments, large state grants are forthcoming everywhere for the development of organised research and the personnel so selected are given protection and encouragement so that they make it a life career. While feeling grateful to the Central Government for their policy in recent years in founding national laboratories may I venture to express the hope that Governments with substantial grants in spite of acute financial dificulties to establish and promote research activities at these centres."

BOSE SETS TASK FOR HIMSELF

Will Unite Leftist Forces In India

LONDON, Dec. 29.
(From Our Correspondent)

Mahasabha will never again become a political force in India, said Mr. Sarat Chadra Bose, now on a short visit to this country.

Mr. Bose, who is considerably improved in health, proposes on his return to India in the middle of January, to unite all leftist forces under one flag. Deeply critical of the present Indian leadership, he opined that India under the new constitution will be a Republic only in name. If India is to keep neutral in the quarrels between the Big Powers and play the role of leadership in Asia, she should leave the Commonwealth and cease hanging on the coat-tails of Britain

NINE EX-JAPANESE OFFICERS TO HANG

TOKYO, Dec. 29 (Reuter).—The United States Eighth Army Military Commission today sentenced nine former Japanese army officers, including three Generals, to hang for the murder, in August 1945, of 33 captured American airmen.

The fliers—aircrews of Superfortresses were beheaded after some of them had been used as live dummies for bayonet practice.

The Court imposed prison sentences ranging from five years to life on sixteen others who took part in the atrocities, said to have been retaliation for the atom bombing of Hiroshima.

The Generals sentenced to hang were Lieutenant General Yokoyama, Commander of the Western Army, Maj. General Kyusaku Fukishima, Assistant Chief of Staff and Major General Shoshin Ito, Chief of the Western Army's Legal Section.

They were also found guilty of withholding information on the capture and death of fliers from Japanese as well as United States officials.

The three Generals were also convicted last August for the parts they played in the Kyusku University vivisection atrocities when the liver of an American flier was served at a banquet.

"LET PAKISTAN TRY HER LUCK IN AFGHANISTAN"

Sheikh Abdullah Recommends Kashmir's Accession With India

JAMMU, Dec. 29 (UPI): "If Pakistan wants Kashmir State because thirty lakhs of Muslims live, they should first try their luck in Afkhanistan and other Musilm countries", said Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah, Prime Minister, Jammu and Kashmir in reply to an address presented to him by the Jammu National Conference today.

He added: "India was divided last year by a mutual agreement between the Muslim League and the Congress Oud getting from the jail uneased Mr. Jinnah much We told Pakistan representatives who came to see us that we had strukkled for responsible Government. Let it come and then the question of accession would be decided by the people. They did not mind this. The result was that the first attack on Kashmir was made on 26th October last year. Raiders attacked our beautiful state. Towns and villages were destroyed from Poonch to Mubatfarabad, from Giligit to Ltdakh and from Mirpur to Rajouri, and people were ruthlessly killed and property looted.

"We have no such evil designs against any one. What we want is a place of honour which, I am confident, we shll get if we are sincere we should win this war."

Concluding his speech Sheik Saheb said: "You have to carry the message of National Conference to every nook and corner of the State. I am a Musalman myself an dit is in the interests of Musalmans that I recommend Kashmir's accession with India. You have to convince every Musalman that this decision will do him good. You have not convince the Musalman."

Kashmir Troops Welfare Fund

SRINAGAR, Dec. 28—Recently inaugurated by Maj Gen. K S. Thimayya for the benefit of Indian Toops serving in Kashmir, the G.O.C.'s Troops' Welfare Fund now amounts to Rs. 13,000.

An appeal issued by General Thimayya for donations to the fund met with ready response and handsome contributions from individuals were received. Money was also collected at a magic performance and by organising dramatic parties and sports.

The G. O. C. has authorised the provision of amenities to patients in hospitals and furnishing clubs for troops out of the funds.

BRILLIANT WORK UNDER DIFFICULT CONDITIONS

Thimayya's Tribute To Soldiers

SRINAGAR, Dec 28. —High appreciation of the work done by an Animal Transport Regiment and a company of Royal Indian Engineers which have just returned from forward areas for rest, was expressed by Major-General K. S. Thimayya, G.O.C., Indian Troops in Kashmir, addressing its officers and men at two impressive parades held in Srinagar last Thursday

In an Order of the day to the officers and men of the regiment, General Thimayya referred to the difficult task performed by in Chokibal, Tragbal, Pandu, Chota Kazinag, Pir Kanthi, Ledigali and above all, in Zojila and said, "You have a brilliant record to look back upon with pride."

General Thimayya added, "You accomplished a feat when your regiment concentrated in Zojila area, supported and maintained the troops in their push from Zojila to Kargil. This was carried out during blizzard and you successfully helped the troops to achieve their objective. Throughout this operation you were continuously employed on a line of communication that extended to 30 miles. You climbed precipitous hills, crossed snowfields and waded through frozen streams three or four times a day Only a regiment with your tradition and high sense of discipline could have achieved this."

In another Order of the Day to a field company of Royal Indian Engineers, General Thimayya said: "Your achievements in this valley have been great. In all the work you have done you have undergone great physical strain and stood well the vagaries of the weather of the Kashmir valley You have broken records in road construction and your men hailing from Madras have, by sheer determination and selfless devotion to duty borne the intense cold in which you have operated most of the time."

10,000 PEOPLE RENDERED HOMELESS IN BANGKOK

BANGKOK, Dec 29 (Reuter): More than 10,000 people mostly Chinese were homeless today following a fire which destroyed 1,000 houses in the centre of Bangkok and caused damage estimated at £150,000.

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Indian Science Congress Programme

Sectional Committee Presidents Nominated

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 29 (UPI) —The foreign Scientists arriving here to attend the All-India Science Congress in January next will be staying, it is learnt, in the Government House, along with some of the most eminent Indian Scientists. Prominent among those Indian and foreign Scientists are Sir C. V. Raman, Dr. Bhatnagar, Dr B. Sahani, Prof. S. Chapman, Geophysicist of Great Britain and Prof. Secunder, Archaeologist.

Prof. and Lady Robinson, Monsieur and Madame Juliot Curie will not be able to attend the session, it is learnt.

The Head Office of the Indian Science Congress in Calcutta will be temporarily shifted to Allahabad on the occasion of the Science Congress session in two or three days It will be housed in the Pavilion on the M.C.C. cricket lawn.

Arrangements are also being made forholding an Exhibition during the session of pharmaceutical products, scientific instruments and chemicals in the Physics Laboratories on January 2. About 20 firms of repute from Agra, Ambala, Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, Banaras, Delhi and Kanpur, besides some firms at Allahabad will put up their exhibits.

It is further learnt that the Defence Ministry of the Union Government will also send exhibits.

It has now been decided that the Allahabad Municipal Board will accord a civic reception to the most eminent Scientists on January 5 at 3 p.m.

The following Scientists will preside over the meetings of the Sectional Committees:

Mathematics—Dr. S. Chowla, Institute for Advanced Study school of Mathematics, Princeton, New Jersey.

Statistics—Dr. U. S. Nair of Travancore, Trivandrum.

Physics—Dr. K. S. Krishnan, Head of the Department of Physics, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.

Chemistry—Dr. P. B. Ganguly, Principal, Science College, Patna.

Geology and Geography—Prof. C. Mahadevan, Head of the Department of Geography, Andhra University, Waltair.

Botany—Mr. M. S. Randhawa, former Deputy Commissioner, Delhi.

Zoological and Entomology—Dr. M. L. Roonwal, Zoological Survey of India, Banaras.

Anthropology—Mr. Nirmal Kumar Bose, Lecturer in Geography, Calcutta University.

Medical and Veterinary Science—Dr. M. B. Soparkar, Bombay.

Agricultural Science—Dr. R. S. Vasudeva, Indian Agriculture Research Institute, New Delhi.

Physiology—Dr. B. B. Sarkar, Head of the Department of Physiology, Calcutta University.

Psychology and Educational Sciences —Mr. T. K. N Menon, Principal, Training College, Baroda.

Engineering and Metallurgy—Prof. M. Sen Gupta, Head of the Department of Electrical Engineering, Banaras University.

BOLTON, Dec. 28 (Reuter): An Indian lion tamer was mauled during his act with three lions in a circus at a theatre here tonight.

He slipped and was seized by one of the lions, but with help managed to get out of the ring. Several stitches were put in his left shoulder.

U.S. TO WITHDRAW PART OF TROOPS FROM S. KOREA

Regrouping Of Forces Under MacArthur

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (Reuter)—The United States army said to-night it was withdrawing a portion of its troop strength from Korea, and there were indications the force might be reduced by as much as half.

It announced plans for a "general regrouping of United States army forces serving under General Douglas MacArthur', Supreme Allied Commander in the Pacific, including the transfer of the seventh infantry division from Korea to Japan.

The "current reduction and regrouping" of forces in Korea of which the United States and Russia each occupy half, was made possible by several factors, the announcement said.

These included: establishment in the American zone of a Government for the Republic of Korea, its assumption of responsibilities; the United Nations declaration on December 12 that the Government "is the only lawful one in Korea"; and the ability of the Korean constabulary, civil police and coast guard to handle the recent uprising at Yosu, in Southern Korea.

The army said in the contemplated regrouping troops of the seventh infantry division will gradually be moved from Korea to Japan to replace the 11th airborne division, which is now returning home to the United States.

CRY FOR SEPARATE ANDHRA

League Committee Decides On Grim Agitation

MASULIPATAM, Dec. 29, (U. P. I.): The Andhra League of Linguistic Provinces has decided to agitate for the immediate creation of the Andhra province inspite of the recommendations of the Dhar Lingulstic Provinces Commission.

The Working Committee of the Andhra League of Linguistic Provinces, adopted a resolution characterising the contents of the report of the Dhar Commission as "quite irrelevant and incongurous", and declaring that it had caused irreparable loss to the rights of the Andhra people. The resolution added that the proper course for the Indian Constituent Assembly to follow would be to reject the recommendations of the Commission and to resolve to create the Andhra province

The Committee further resolved that in the absence of such a course being adopted the Andhra Members of the Constituent Assembly, the Indian Parliaments, the two Houses of the Madras Legislature and the Madras Cabinet should resign and "join the Andhra public in any programme which may be chalked out for the immediate creation of the Andhra province till its successful achievement and thereby exhibit their individual self-respect and the honour of the Andhra race."

INTER-UNIVERSITY BOARD

MADRAS, Dec. 29 (UPI).—Sir Ivor Jennings, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ceylon, was elected President of the Inter-University Board for the ensuing year, when the Board met yesterday at the Senate House.

The following members were elected to the Standing Committee for the next two years:

Dr. Sir A. Lakshmanaswamy Mudaliar, Vice-Chancellor of the Madras University, Dr. P. N. Banerjee, Vice-Chancellor of the Calcutta University, Sir C. P. N. Singh, Vice-Chancellor of the Patna University, Dr. C. M. Acharya, Vice-Chancellor of the Utkal University, and Dr. Zakir Hussain, Vice-Chancellor of the Aligarh University.

The Standing Committee later met and elected Dr. Lakshmanaswamy Mudaliar as Chairman.

Sir Iver Jennings and Dr. A. L. Mudaliar were both elected to serve on the Executive of the Commonwealth Universities Conference for the year.

Tata Library For Delhi 'Varsity

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A sum of Rs. 1 lakh has been donated towards the establishment of a Library in the Delhi School of Economics of the University of Delhi, by Lady Ratan Tata and her Co-Trustees of the Sir Ratan Tata Charities.

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NAZI COLLABORATORS BACK IN POWER!

France Utters A Note Of Warning

LONDON, Dec. 28 (UPI): Ruhr steel magnates, who helped to build Hitler's war machine into a world menace, are back in power, according to reports reaching here.

It is stated that some of the most willing collaborators of the Nazis have already been given important managerial jobs under the Allies' new plan to build up the Ruhr output and let the Germans decide for themselves whether the factories should be owned by the German nation or by big firms.

Albert Zangern, Vereinigte Stahlwerk, Werner Karp and scores of others have been put in control of firms which once turned out Tiger tanks.

The American slogan—"the Ruhr must rebuild for Europe's recovery" —has made it easier for these former tools of Hitler to get back into power.

France has warned the United States and Britain that it is suicidal to appoint these men.

But the American reply is: "The Ruhr steel works and mines must redouble their output—and these are the men who know best how to do the job."

MORE URANIUM THAN IN ATOM BOMB

PARIS, (UPA): A famous French painter, Georges Braque, has turned his hand to making atomic pottery.

According to Braque, he uses 40 grams of uranium oxide, more uranium than was reportedly used by chemists to make the first atomic bomb, to create certain colour efforts.

INDIA MUST BE A COMPLETELY INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC

Sarat Bose Surprised At Nehru's Participation In London Conference

LONDON, Dec 29 (UPI): "India must come out of the Commonwealth and be a completely Independent Republic to play her full part in Asia," emphasised Mr Sarat Bose, at a press conference in London.

Mr. Bose expressed the view that India should take immediate steps to organise a United Nations of South Asia which alone, he stressed, could resist the machinations of Western imperialists in Asia.

Referring to the recent Commonwealth Premiers' Conference held at London, he stated that the whole object of the Conference was to get India to remain within the Commonwealth and expressed surprise that the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, should have participated in the Conference, particularly in discussions relating to the Western should be of no concern to India

He also observed: "The Irish political circles are feeling surprised at India's attitude at the Conference."

Dealing with the situation in Bengal, arising out the large-scale migration of Hindus from East Bengal, Mr. Bose largely put the blame on the leaders, who before partition, maintained that West Bengal should be the homeland for Bengal Hindus. In this connection, he also referred to his scheme of Independent United Bengal, which alone, he maintained, would have prevented such consequences. He disclosed that even Mr. Jinnah, taking into consideration of all the special circumstances in Bengal, was in agreement with him on the idea of Independent United Bengal.

Mr. Bose characterised partition of India as "a British Imperialist device to retain its hold permanently over both India and Pakistan and its control over the Indian Ocean" He referred to Lord Mountbatten as "the cleverest British Imperialist that ever came to India."

UNITY AMONG LEFTISTS

Expressing concern over the general situation in India, he stressed the need of unity among the leftist parties in the country. He said that there were chances of such left unity without the Communists and on his return to India, he would make an earnest endeavour in this direction.

Mr. Bose criticised the present administration as civil service-controlled. He also referred to the widely-prevalent dissatisfaction among the people and confidently predicted defeat of the Congress atleast in three Provinces in the next elections at the hands of the leftists.

Speaking on the Hindu Mahasabha and its activities, he remarked that he hardly thought that the Sabha would have any influence as a political organisation.

Mr Bose is leaving to India on Monday. While here he intends meeting some members of the British Cabinet and addressing several meetings of students and workers in London.

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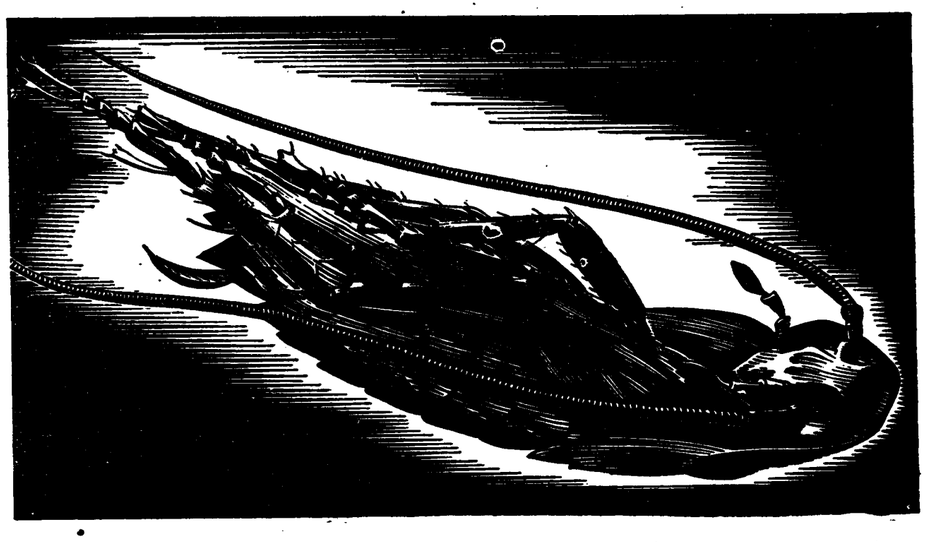

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Today's Engagements

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner and Councillors of Ward No. 162 will meet near Electric House, Colaba on Friday at 8-30 a.m. to go round the ward. Residents who have any difficulties should be present at the appointed place and time.

SHREE KALIKA MANDIR 'UTSAV': The annual 'fair' and 'Utsav' of Shree Kalika Mandir, will be celebrated today (Thursday).

P.E.N. PUBLIC LECTURE: Dr. P. T. Raju, will lecture on "Metaphysics and Mysticism" today (Thursday,) at 6 p.m. in the Darbar Hall of the Bombay Branch Royal Asistic Society, Town Hall. Dr. J. N. Chubb will preside.

G. I. P. RAILWAYMEN'S UNION: Meeting of the Running Staff of the G.I.P. Railway at 2 p.m. today in the Office of the Kalyan Branch of the G.I.P. Railwaymen's Union at Chhotalal Chawl, Opposite Post Office, Kalyan.

BOMBAY HINDI VIDYARTHI MANDAL: Variety entertainment programme will be held today in Sunderbai Hall at 5-30 p.m., Shree Durgadutt Tharad will preside.

SUTRA YAGNA: The President of the Khadi Board, B.P.C.C. announces that the concluding ceremony of Sutra Yagna started since 24th inst. at Keshav Baug, Princess Street, will be performed by Shri Purshottam Kanji today (Thursday) at 9 p.m. Shri Purshottam Kanji will also speak on the occasion

NATIONAL RAILWAY WORKERS' UNION: At a meeting of the G.I.P. National Railway Workers' Union held on Wednesday the following Office-Bearers were elected: President Shri. Abid Ali Jaffarbhai, Vice-President Shri S.M. Shukla, Shri R. R. Bhole, and Prof. Bidesh Kulkarni, General Secretary, Shri Ladikram I. Tahillianey, Asstt. Secretary Shri. Saqui Niyazi of Akola, and Shri N. K. Shrivastawa, Treasurer Shri P. K. Sawant, M.L.A.

PUBLIC MEETING TO CONDEMN DUTCH AGGRESSION

Under the joint auspices of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee and the Indonesia League of India, a Public Meeting will be held today (Thursday) at 6 p.m. at People's Hall, Congress House, to condemn the Dutch aggression and express sympathy towards the Indonesian People.

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Ad. Booking 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

INDIA SHOULD RENOUNCE REPARATIONS FROM GERMANY

Hirlekar On Export Trade Prospects Of Different Zones

BOMBAY, December 29, (API):—Mr. K. S. Hirlekar, who acted as Joint Secretary to the Government of India's Trade Delegation to France, Czechoslovakia, and Germany, has returned to Bombay after visiting important industrial centres in the Soviet and French Zones of Germany.

The delegation which was led by Mr. L. K. Jha of the Government of India's Ministry of Commerce, returned to India in August last after completing its work, but Mr. Hirlekar stayed behind to study further Central Europe's industrial potential and visited Dresden, Leipzig, Leuna and Jena in the Soviet Zone and Ludwigshafen, Frankenthal and Baden-Baden in the French Zone.

Mr. Hirlekar told the Press that he had endeavoured to counter the impression generally prevailing in the Soviet Zone that India, even after attaining freedom, was continuing to be under the influence of the British Government, at least indirectly. He was hard put to it to convince the Secretary of the German Economic Administration that India's policy, as announced by the Prime Minister Pt. Nehru, was to have no truck with either of the blocs in international politics, and had citied many instances in which India had taken an independent line.

AMERICAN POLICY

Due to the prevailing East-West tension, the policy of the Military Governments in Western Germany, particularly in the American Zone, was to support the German industries and make them self-sufficient so as to lessen the burden of taxation on the U. S. citizens, Mr. Hirlekar said.

IN SOVIET ZONE

In the Soviet Zone the factories were working at a high pitch and the output was being sent to Russia by way of reparations, but the tendency of the Soviet Military Administration was gradually to release a larger proportion of this output for sale abroad in return for raw materials. The German Economic Administration in the Zone was anxious to promote trade with India and conclude an agreement on the basis of the negotiations conducted by the Indian Delegation in July last.

The French Zone, Mr. Hirlekar observed, had not attained as much industrial prominence as other zones of the country, but the few industrial centres in Rhineland — Pfalz, Wuerttemberg — Hohenzollern and South Baden—were contributing to the import and export trade in that part of Germany.

Mr. Hirlekar said he was convinced that the French Zone could in the near future supply India with colours, chemicals, printing machinery, agricultural implements, weighing machines, clocks and watches and surgical and precision instruments.

From the beginning of December the manufactures in the French Zone were afforded opportunities of coming in direct contact with the buyers abroad and submit them their offers. This had aroused the enthusiasm of the business men who were exclaiming that after all the "silk curtain" was being gradually lifted.

RENOUNCE REPARATIONS

Commenting on German reparations Mr. Hirlekar said that India's share was so small and the machines allotted to her from time to time were of such poor type that India should rather renounce her share and win the goodwill of the German people, who were now in miserable states.

Peon Jailed For Forging Cheque

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Found guilty of forgery Jaiwant Ramchandra, a peon in the office of Messrs. Junarkar and Company, Architects and Engineers, was sentenced to one month's R. I. by Mr. T. S. Vyas, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court.

The prosecution alleged that the accused had forged a cheque of Rs. 500 on April 27 last when his masters were away at Ambernath. The suspicion of Mr. Junarkar, one of the masters, was roused when, on examining his bank pass book after his return from Ambernath, he found that a sum of Rs. 500 was debited to his account. Inquiries were instituted at the bank and it was found that two cheques were removed from his cheque book with the counterfoils. A complaint was lodged immediately and the accused was arrested by the police.

The accused who pleaded 'not guilty' to the charge stated in his defence that he had collected the amount from various sources by legitimate means for his forthcoming marriage.

Mr. M. B. Anklesaria, the police prosecutor conducted the prosecution. Mr. Homi J. H. Chinoy, instructed by Craigie Blunt and Carow, appeared for the Bank of India. The accused was defended by Mr. Vasant Desai.

TWO 'MEDICO' FAMILIES UNITED

A very interesting function took place on Saturday last when two 'medico' families were united by son of Dr. Manubhai Mehta was married to Dr. Padma Bhansali, the daughter of Dr. Prabhudas Bhansali a well-known doctor of Rangoon, at the Laxminarayan Temple on Hughes Road.

Both the families have been in medical profession for years. Dr. Jitubhai is the son of Dr. Manubhai Mehta, as also he is the nephew of Dr. Kumud Mehta—who has been practising in Bombay during the last twenty years. He is also the nephew of Mr. Babubhai Mehta of the Distribution office M/s. Jaysinh Pictures Limited.

The wedding was attended by the cosmopolitan elite of Bombay.

Radio

BOMBAY, Thursday.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s) 7-30 a.m. Sharada Kharod and party (Gujarati Geet) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Gottuwadyam Par Todi (Golaba pips at 8-45 a.m.) 9-0 Laxman Prasad Chaube (Vocal music) 12-0 p.m. Vanita Mandal 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 God Geeten 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch-hour music 4-20 School broadcast 5-0 Gottuwadyam Par Bhimpalas 5-15 Children's half-hour 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Nasiruddin Gore (Vocal music) 6-30 Harmindar Singh (Vocal music) 6-45 S. K. Abhyankar (Vocal music) 7-0 Topic of the day 7-10 Local announcements and weather report 7-15 Sarla Vaidya (Gujarati geeto) 7-30 Arthik Avlocan (Talk in Gujarati) 7-45 Film-music 7-55 Tir Nahin to Tukko 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Air Chorus Party 8-45 Gottuwadyam Par Kafi 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 BBC news relay 9-40 Anything goes 9-45 Sport 10-0 Grace Calweli 10-30 "There's something in the air".

VARIATIONS

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s) 7-40 a.m. Bhajan Ani Abhang 5-45 p.m. S. K. Abhyankar (Vocal music) 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners 7-45 Commercial News 8-0 Sarla Vaidya (Gujarati geeto) 9-25 Amritlal Navsariwala (Vocal music).

MISS LESTER'S BROADCAST

LUCKNOW, Dec. 29 (UPI): Miss Muriel Lester, Mahatma Gandhi's hostess in London, will broadcast her reminiscences of Gandhiji's stay with her in London, from the A.I.R. Lucknow on Friday, December 31 at 8-30 p.m.

WEATHER

WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, Dec. 29, (A. P. I.): Following is the daily weather summary for Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1948:—

There has been local rain in the southern districts of south-east Madras.

Night temperatures were appreciably above normal over the region from Central India and the north Central Provinces to West Bengal and in the extreme south of the Peninsula.

Forecast valid until the evening of 30th: A few showers are likely in the southeast districts of southeast Madras and in the extreme northeast of Assam. Mainly dry weather will continue elsewhere.

Night temperatures may fall slightly in east Rajputana and west Central India.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, Dec. 29 (API.)

The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rain fall in inches during the past 24 hours from 1st December, 1948, and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours IST on 29th December 1948:—

Ahmedabad 85 61 0 0 0 Allahabad 75 50 0 0 minus 0.3 Bengalore 79 59 0 0.2 minus 0.2 Baroda 88 61 0 0— BOMBAY 82 67 0 0 minus 0.1 Calcutta 79 64 0 0 minus 0.2 Cherrapunji 59 40 0 0 minus 0.5 Colombo 83 73 0.1 8.5 plus 3.2 Cuttack 84 61 0 0 minus 0.2 Panchmari 71 50 50 0 minus 0.14 Darjiling 45 34 0 0 minus 0.3 Dehradun 67 41 0 0.4 minus 0.6 Delhi 75 43 0 0 minus 0.4 Hyderabad (Dn) 80— 0 0 minus 0.3 Karachi 78 59 0 0.1 minus 0.1 Lahore 69 38 0 1.5 plus 1.1 Lucknow 77 49 0 0 minus 0.3 Madras 32 72 0 1.7 minus 3.6 Mahableshwar 73 54 0 0 minus 0.3 Multan 68 40 0 0.3 plus 0.1 Mussoorie 50 33 0 0.9 minus 0.5 Nagpur 84—0 0— Ootacamund 68 54 50 T 1.0 minus 1.5 Patna 76 54 0 minus 0.1 Peshawar 61 38 0 0.7 plus 0.1 Poona 85 52 0 0 minus 0.1 Rajkot 85 51 0 0 minus 0.1 Rawalpindi 60 37 0 1.6 plus 0.5 Shillong 57 39 0 0 minus 0.3 Sholapur 83 60 0 0 minus 0.4 Simla 43 31 0 1.1 minus 0.1 Surat 90 59 0 0 minus 0.1

QUAKE SHOCK AT GAUHATI

GAUHATI, Dec 29 (API)—An earthquake shock of slight intensity was felt here at 2.50 p.m. today. The tremor was of a short duration.

Case Against 'Blitz' Editor Withdrawn

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The complaint filed by Shaikh Ali Ahmed, Manager and Director of the Allied Agencies Limited, Pherozshaw Mehta Road, charging Mr. R. K. Karanjia, Editor of "the Blitz", a weekly news magazine, with defamation, was withdrawn by the former in the court of the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court, today.

The complaint arose out of an article which appeared in the "Blitz" issue of August 3 last.

Friends however intervened and misunderstanding being removed, the case was withdrawn by the complainant.

POSSESSION OF MEDICATED INTOXICANTS ILLEGAL

The Government of Bombay has prohibited, from January 1, 1949, in the Province the possession, except under a permit from the Collector, of the following intoxicants by any person other than a person holding a prescription in that behalf from a registered medical practitioner, a registered medical practitioner himself or a person in charge of a hospital or a dispensary recognised in this behalf by the Commissioner of Excise:

Concentrated Dill Water, concentrated Cinnamom Water, Concentrated peppermit water, Concentrated Infusion of Orange Peel, Concentrated Infusion of Clove, Spirit of Peppermit, Spirits of Chloroform, Spirit of Nitrous Ether, Tincture of Orange, Tincture of Capsicum, Tincture of Lemon, Strong Tinctures of Ginger, Weak Tincture of Ginger and Compound Tincture of Cardamom.

"HINDUISM IS ALL-EMBRACING"

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The three-day session of the 23rd Indian Philosophical Congress, saw a number of learned papers read by the philosophers of India, on such highly interesting subjects as "The theistic root of the Anti-Mystical Tradition in Western Philosophy", "The realisation of the Absolute", "A note on Orientation in Social Philosophy", "Ethical systems of Confucius", "Metampsychosis among the Greek Christians" and the "Role of Intellect in Sankara and Bergson".

Swami Sivananda in his paper on "Whence and Whither", said "The ONE wills itself into the many. The many evolve into the ONE by developing Cosmic Consciousness....Hinduism is all-embracing: other religions have their base in Hinduism."

Mr. Ram Moorti Loomba said that one of the roots of anti-mystical tradition largely characterising Western philosophy lay in the neglect and repudiation of spiritual intuition in the West in the field of religious philosophy, the field in which it had naturally flowered most in the Orient.

Mr. H. G. Narhari of Adyar discussed the bearing of both evolution and Karma and maintained that Karma was anyday a greater champion of human freedom from Evolution.

Mr. P. S. Naidu of Allahabad University maintained that Social Philosophy of the present times was neither social nor philosophical. It was a strange heterogenous agglomerate of Sociology, Political Science, Cultural History, Anthropology and Economics with irregular lumps of metaphysics thrown in.

Dr. Ishrat Hasan Enver, in a desertation on "Ethical System in Confucius", spoke about the historical importance of Confucius in Chinese though saying his ethical system consisted of Conscientiousness and Altruism. He compared him to Kant and said that priority of having conceived the Categorical Imperative went to Confucius—his formulation of the Categorical Imperative. His alutruism was a necessary deduction from the concept of Duty. The speaker compared virtue with duty.

MUSLIM YEAR BOOK OF INDIA

The All-India Muslim Chamber of Commerce and Industry will present to the Press the first publication of the Muslim Year Book of India and Who's Who with complete information on Pakistan today (Thursday) at 6-30 p.m. at the Taj Mahal Hotel.

CONSOLIDATED LAW TO PROMOTE PROHIBITION

Bombay Bill Published

A Bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to the promotion and enforcement of and carrying into effect the policy of prohibition and also the Abkari law in the Province of Bombay has been published in the Bombay Government Gazette of December 28, 1948.

The statement of objects and reasons attached to the Bill states that the policy of Prohibition was initiated in 1939. Soon after its initiation the popular Government went out of and for various reasons the enforcement of the policy remained dormant. On the assumption of the office in 1946 Government reconsidered the question and it was decided to undertake and enforce a policy of total prohibition in the whole of the Province of Bombay on the basis of a four year plan. The said policy has been explained in a press communique published on December 31, 1946. I twas stated therein that total prohibition simultaneously throughout the Province would be completed within four years beginning from April 1947. The programme was to begin from the financial year 1947-48 and end in 1050-51. For the first three years was to be a sort of temperance arrangement which was to evolve itself into complete prohibition in the fouth year, i.e., 1950-51. The period of one year has been completed and we are close to the end of the second year. Takinfi into account the experience gained so far Government now feel confident to carry on and complete the programme.

In 1939 as well as in 1947 certain amendments were made in the provisions of the Bombay Abkari Act, 1878. But these changes were suitable for a period which was preparatory to the completion of the policy. In the press communique of December 31, 1946, referred to above, it was stated that there were many lacunae in the Bombay Abkari Act from the point of view of the Government's decision to enforce prohibition and that it was necessary to remove the defects and bring within the orbit of the Act, many offences which went unpunished under the law. It was added that in case of many offences punishment prescribed was inadequate. It was necessary to provide for deterrent sentences and also to provide for minimum sentences in certain cases. To some extent this was carried out by the Amending Act of 1947. But in order to enforce the policy of total prohibition effectually, it is considered necessary to overhaul the law relating to intoxicating drugs and narcotics and to embody the same into one legislative enactment. With that object in view the present Bill has been prepared. It is proposed to amend and consolidate the Abkari Law with a view to promote, enforce and carry out into effect the policy of prohibition in the Province of Bombay. Opportunity has been taken to include in the present Bill the relevant provisions of the Opium Act, 1878, and the Bombay Molasses Act, 1947.

INDIA'S FOOD DEMANDS

Dinkarrao Desai Optimistic About Response From Abroad

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Mr. Dinkarrao N. Desai, Bombay's Civil Supplies Minister, said today that he was confident of getting a favourable response from countries like America, England and France to India's food demands.

Mr. Desai, who led the Indian delegation to the Food and Agricultural Organisation Conference held recently in Washington, said in an interview to the press that especially after the developments of events in China, the whole attitude of the Western countries towards India has changed.

Referring to conditions of life in America, which he extensively toured, the Minister said that there was prosperity alround. The slight rise in the cost of living was not oppressive to the workers as they were being compensated with a corresponding increase in dearness allowance. Fruits, milk and other food materials were available in plenty and were much cheaper than in India, he said. A seer of milk cost only ten annas in America.

He paid a tribute to America's planned and organised economy which has given very good results.

Mr. Desai will give his impressions on the FAO conference at a press conference which he proposes to call shortly.

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Abu Lawrence School, Abu—The Committee of Management have pleasure in announcing the continuation of the Institution as a public School for the service of all—irrespective of creed and community. New term commences early March, 1949. Matriculation and Cambridge Examinations. For further particulars and registration apply Principal. (2467)

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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Class III same as for Third Class prior to 1-1-1949.

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4. SEASON TICKETS ISSUED PRIOR TO 1-1-1949.

First and Second Class season tickets will be valid for travel in Class I.

Inter Class season tickets will be valid for Class II.

Third Class season tickets will be valid for Class III.

5 MONTHLY AND QUARTERLY SEASON TICKETS will be issued from 1-1-1949 as usual.

6. CONCESSIONS notified for the public will be granted for Classes I and III only. No concessions for travel in Class II will be granted.

7. RESERVATIONS.

G.I.P. RAILWAY

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Seats will be reserved for Classes II and III in the Bombay-Poona Mails and Expresses on payment of the reservation fee of annas two per seat and on the Bombay-Madras Express on payment of annas four per seat.

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PLEASE CUT OUT AND RETAIN THIS NOTIFICATION FOR YOUR GUIDANCE. (2773)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

Augmentation of the City's Water Supply

VAITARNA-CUM-TANSA SCHEME

THE CLOSING DATE of receipt of the tenders for the work of "Construction of a Cement Concrete Masonry Dam across the river Vaitarna", is further extended from the 4th February 1949, to FRIDAY, THE 18TH MARCH, 1949, at 1-00 P. M. (B.T.)

N. V. MODAK,
Special Engineer,
Bombay Municipality.

Municipal Offices.
Fort, Bombay,
28th December, 1948. (2771)

TENDER NOTICE

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G.I.P. Railway, Loco Offices Buildings, Parel, invites tenders upto 3 p.m. on 17-1-1949 for "Construction of an 'A' type Tea Kiosk on the island platform at Sion". The tender, schedule and conditions of contract can be had from his office on payment of Rs. 2/- per set. Copies of drawings will be supplied on an additional payment of Rs. 3/- per set. These sums will not be refunded. (2769)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the purchase of hard waste from the India United Mills, Ltd., No. 4 Mill and will be accepted up to 4 p.m. (S.T.) on WEDNESDAY the 5th January 1949, in their registered office. Tender copies can be obtained from Cotton Department, Indu House, Dougall Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay. 2766

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TENDER NOTICE

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G.I.P. Railway, Loco Offices Building, Parel, invites tender upto 3 p.m. on 14-1-1949 for "Supplying and loading into wagons 2,00,000 Cft. of sand at Karjat." The form of tender, schedule and conditions of contract, can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2/- per set. This sum will not be refunded. (2770)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

THE B.E.S. & T. COMMITTEE

SEALED TENDER for the supply of Road Asphalt will be received by the Chief Storekeeper up to noon on Monday, the 10th January, 1949.

Tender forms can be obtained from the Chief Storekeeper, Electric House, Fort, Bombay 1, on personal application but will not be forwarded by post. (2768)

THE PUNJAB BREEDERS, LIMITED

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above COMPANY will be held at the registered Office of the Company at Arthur Bunder, Colaba, Bombay on THURSDAY, the 30th day of December, 1948, at 5-0 p.m. (S.T.) to transact the following business:

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the period ended 30th June 1948.
2. To elect four Directors in the place of:
   Mr. J. T. Ferreira,
   Mr. Dharamsey Mulraj Khatau
   Mr. Ramniwas Ramnarain,
   and Mr. B. K. Daphtary,
   who retire by rotation but who are eligible and offer themselves for re-election.
3. To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS and Share Registers of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 17th to THURSDAY, the 30th December, 1948, (both days inclusive).

By Order of the
Board of Directors,
The Punjab Breeders Limited,
A. FATAH & CO., LTD.
Managing Agents

Bombay, dated 13th December, 1948. (2562)

THE SCINDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. LTD.

AS LETTERS has been received from some shareholders that they did not receive notice of the Twenty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company in time, it is proposed, with the sanction of the meeting to be held on the 30th December, 1948, to adjourn the meeting to some date to be fixed at the meeting.

(Sd.) NAROTTAM MORARJEE & CO.
Agents

Scindia House,
Ballard Estate,
Bombay, 28th Dec. 1948.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the partnership herebefore subsisting between my clients SHRI KISHINCHAND WADHUMAL IDNANI and SHRI BALDEV WADHUMAL IDNANI and SHRI TAHILRAM PARSHOTAMDAS ASRANI, carrying on business at 43, Readymoney Mansion, Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay under the firm name of M/s MACKEY AND COMPANY, has been DISSOLVED with effect from December 8, 1948 so far as concerns the said Shri Tahilram Parshotamdas Asrani, who has retired from the said firm as from the aforesaid date.

S. S. LULLA,
Advocate for the continuing partners.

Bombay dated 22-12-48.
46, Churchgate Street
Bombay 1. (2772)

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED BOOKED AND UNBOOKED PACKAGES CONSISTING OF MACHINERY: IRON AND WOODEN PACKAGES, DRUMS, TINS ETC.

Under instructions from the B.B. & C.I. Rly. in accordance with the provisions of Sections 55 & 56 of the Indian Railways' Act No. IX of 1890 Messrs. MENESSE & CO. will sell by Public Auction on Friday the 14th January 1949 at 1-30 p.m. (ST.) at their Parcel Depot near Grant Road Railway Station.

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Systematic Cheating Of Several Persons Alleged

SUSPECT CONNECTED WITH 88 CASES ARRESTED

BOMBAY, WEDNESDAY.

DHANJI SHAMJI, DESCRIBED BY THE POLICE AS A NOTORIOUS CHEAT WHO HAD BEEN SYSTEMATICALLY DEFRAUDING THE PUBLIC FOR THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS WAS ARRESTED BY THE GENERAL BRANCH OF THE BOMBAY C.I.D. ON TUESDAY EVENING.

Applying for the remand in custody of the accused before Mr. V. K. Muranjan, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court, the police stated that Dhunji had defrauded during the last few months about 88 persons to the tune of nearly Rs. 90,000. Beside: his own name he had three aliases. Sometimes he styled himself as A. B. Kumar. Sometimes he gave his name as M. S. Khan, and on other occasions he passed himself off as A. S. Somji.

According to the police the accused had started several bogus concerns like Birla and Co., the Bharat Marketing Company, the National Trading Agency etc. He had it was alleged, his own modus operandi to cheat his customers. He would advertise in all the important newspapers of the country that he was the manufacturer of cement, Vanaspati, soap, caustic soda, and importer of high-grade cigarettes. In reply, customers would approach him from all over the country with orders big and small. He would make them part with 25 per cent of the value of their orders in advance. While booking orders he would promise them the delivery of the goods in a week or ten days at the most. The goods, however, would never be delivered. When customers approached him for delivery he would drive him out under one pretext or another. Tired with long delays, the customers would ultimately ask him to cancel the orders. But even for cancelling the order, it was further alleged, the accused would ask for a deduction of 12 per cent from the actual value of the order. The customer who generally belonged to some upcountry town would ultimately agree to this, though unwillingly, and with a view to cut short his stay in Bombay where he finds it difficult to obtain accommodation. As for the rest of the money the accused would give him a dud-cheque which the bank would almost invariably refuse to honour for some reason or another.

It was further revealed by the police that the accused held his account in the bank in the name of M. S. Khan. He would, however, sign the cheque as "M. S. Kan."

The accused was ordered to be enlarged on bail in the sum of Rs. 10,000.

INSURANCE COY. OFFICIAL ARRESTED

Cheating To Tune Of Rs. 68,038 Alleged

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Charged with criminal breach of trust in respect of Rs. 68,038 Gajanand Anant Palande, an Accident-Superintendent of the Jayabharat Insurance Company, Apollo Street, was placed before Mr. V. K. Muranjan, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court, this morning.

The police stated that the accused on behalf of the company had collected a sum of Rs. 68,038 from insurers of the company. He, however, failed to give an account of the collections made by him in spite of repeated warnings given to him by the authorities concerned in this regard. On inquiries it was found that ten policyholders of the company had paid him their premia money.

The accused was enlarged on bail pending further investigation.

INDIAN POLITICAL SCIENCE CONFERENCE

NAGPUR, Dec. 29, (U. P. I.): The eleventh session of the Indian Political Science Conference will be held at Nagpur on January 7, 8 and 9 under the presidentship Dr. B. M. Sharma of the Lucknow University.

POLICE PARTY AT MIRANDA'S HOUSE

Further Hearing In Morarka Bribery Case

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

After an interval of four days as a result of the Christmas holidays, the "Morarka Bribery Case", came up for resumed hearing today.

Giving evidence before Mr. K. J. Khambatta, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court, Deputy Inspector Sohrab Mistry of the Anti-Corruption Branch of the Bombay C.I.D., whose deposition had not concluded at the last hearing stated that on May 5th 1948, when Damjibhai Jethabhai Shah was at Miranda's house, the Police Party got in after the door was opened by Miranda. Miranda produced a bundle of currency notes which he said was given to him by Shah as illegal gratification on behalf of Morarka.

At that time Shah was seated on a sofa in the drawing room. Superintendent Bashiruddin took possession of these notes. Witness counted the notes which were found to be one lac of rupees. Shah was searched and from his shirt pocket the extract from the Crime Report was recovered. Shah was later taken to the A.C.B. office. He then went to call Morarka to the A.C.B. office where Morarka was placed under arrest.

On the 6th May, he went to the Sholapur Mills office. After inspection of certain account books he initialled certain entries and seized one receipt book. Certain entries in this book showed that there were business dealings between Morarka and Shah. They were in respect of purchase of cotton bales of the value of rupees three lacs, sixty thousand.

Continuing the witness said that on the 7th he took down the statements of certain witnesses. In consequence of a statement made by Kalyaniwalla he made inquiries with the telephone department and he was furnished with certain numbers.

He made inquiries regarding the car that was standing in front of Miranda's house on the day of Shah's arrest and learnt that it was registered in the name of Champsi Jethabhai, brother of the accused. He also inquired about car B.M.Y. 2038 which went to Kalyan on 24th March and found out that it belonged to the Apollo Mills.

The case is adjourned till 11 a.m. on Thursday.

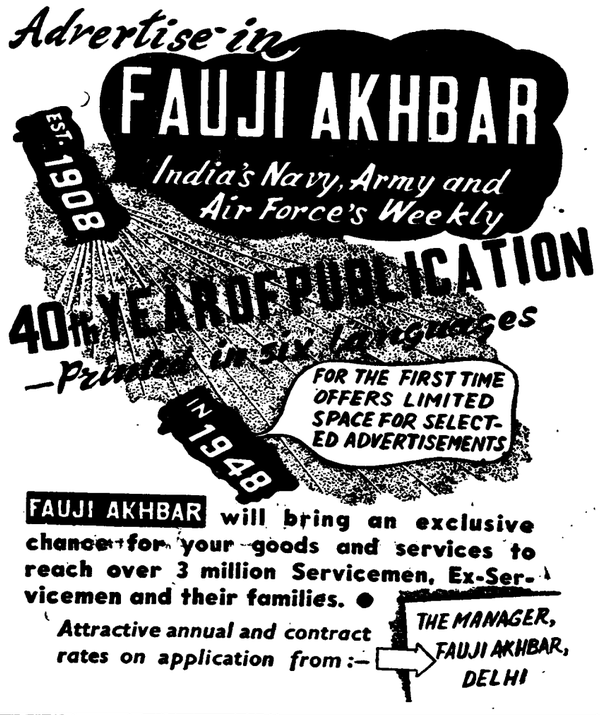
HOUSING SCHEME FOR BOMBAY REFUGEES

'Self-Contained Townships' Proposed

BOMBAY, Dec. 28, (A. P. I.): The Government of India are seriously considering the problem of rehabilitation of refugees and various schemes about housing, educational facilities, granting of loans, vocational training and permanent settlements are engaging their immediate attention", said Mr. Mehrchand Khanna, Additional Secretary to the Ministry of Rehabilitation, Government of India in an interview here today.

Mr. Khanna revealed that he was engaged in studying the housing schemes for refugees, which the Bombay Government had prepared recently and said that proposals were afoot to convert some of the major camps like Kalyan camp into "self-contained townships".

He hoped he would be able to take broad decisions in the matter of rehabilitation before he left on January 2 for Kundla (Cutch) to see the "Gandhi Gram" refugee colony there.



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Jewish Forces Invade Egypt

BRITAIN'S REPORT TO SECURITY COUNCIL

U. N. Call To Parties For Immediate Cease-Fire

CONCILIATION COMMISSION TO BE SET UP WITHOUT DELAY

PARIS, December 29 (Reuter): Mr. Harold Beeley (Britain) told the Security Council this afternoon that, according to telegrams from the British Embassy in Cairo, Jewish forces were now within Egyptian territory.

WITHIN SIX MILES OF EL ARISH

THE TELEGRAM STATES, HE SAID, THAT JEWISH FORCES WERE NOW WITHIN TEN KILOMETRES (SIX MILES) OF THE EGYPTIAN TOWN OF EL ARISH. (EL ARISH IS AN OASIS ABOUT 35 MILES INSIDE THE EGYPTIAN BORDER).

BRITAIN CONSIDERED THAT EFFECTIVE MAINTENANCE OF THE TRUCE WAS AN ESSENTIAL STEP, FIRSTLY FOR AN ARMISTICE AND SECONDLY, FOR CONCLUSION OF A DEFINITE SETTLEMENT.

The council adopted by eight votes to nil with three abstentions, a British resolution put forward yesterday calling for an immediate cease-fire.

The resolution, as amended, calls on the Governments concerned to order an immediate cease-fire, to implement without delay the November 4 resolution of the Council (which called for restoration of the truce in the Negev) to obey the orders of the Acting Mediator or withdrawal of forces, and to allow and facilitate supervision by United Nations observers.

It instructs the Acting Mediator to report to the Council on January 6 about progress made by that date in implementing the resolution of November 16 (which called for direct negotiation between the parties).

It also invites the Committee of the Council appointed under the November 3 resolution to meet in January to consider the Negev situation and to report, and invites Cuba and Norway to replace from January 1 the two retiring Committee members, Belgium and Colombia.

CONCILIATION COMMISSION

The resolution expresses the hope that the Conciliation Commission appointed by the General Assembly on December 11 will be established with the least possible delay.

ABSTAINING MEMBERS

The three abstaining members were the United States, Russia and the Ukraine.

Earlier, M. Jacob Malik, for Russia, had made a new call for a cease-fire.

The meeting began with a tribute to the late Egyptian Premier, Nokrashy Pasha, who was assassinated yesterday.

M. Fernand Van Lagenhove (Belgium), the Chairman, asked Egyptian Delegate Fawzi Pasha to communicate the Council's condolences to his Government.

M. Malik, reopening the Palestine debate, said: "There is only one way to solve the Palestine problem—direct negotiation between the parties and the mediator", he declared.

CADOGAN'S "UNSEEMLY HASTE"

He attacked what he called Sir Alexander Cadogan's "unseembly haste" in "pushing through the resolution of November 4 (which threatened sanctions against the aggressor) to wreck previous Council resolutions calling for negotiation between the parties themselves."

"The resolution of November 4", he said "was imposed upon the Council by the United Kingdom delegation. The Committee then set up is useless, and we would support no further recourse to it."

M. Malik said he would vote for the preamble and first paragraph of the British draft resolution (calling for an immediate cease-fire) and not for the rest of the resolution which gave instructions to the Committee set up by the November 4 resolution and to the Conciliation Commission.

ARAB STATES IN UNFAIR POSITION

Fawzi Bey (Egypt) said the Arab States were put in a very unfair position.

They were on one side faced by an inactive United Nations Security Council, and, on the other hand, their people who quite logically and reasonably asked them why they did not get the United Nations or the Security Council to do something about it.

He said he was disappointed at the "lukewarm tone" of the British resolution, adding, "it is certainly no more than half a step in the right direction. It is better than nothing.

"It errs by omission: It says nothing about the system of supervision by the United Nations."

After Mr. Beeley's disclosure of British information that Israeli forces were now in Egyptian territory, the Ukranian delegate, M. Tarashenko declared that Britain's draft resolution was designed to protest the "British puppet King Abdullah."

He added that he would vote only for the first paragraph, ordering an immediate cease-fire.

M. Malik (Soviet Union) said the United Nations General Assembly had "liquidated" the office of Mediator, and the last part of the British draft resolution did not therefore make sense.

On his recommendation, the Special Committee on Palestine will report to the Council on January 7 and not January 6 as originally stated in the resolution.

ISRAEL'S DENIAL

TEL AVIV, Dec. 29 (Reuter): An Israeli military spokesman tonight flatly denied that Jewish troops area within six miles of El Arish, in Egyptian territory, south of Negev.

The spokesman refused to comment when asked if Jewish troops had penetrated Egyptian territory elsewhere.

Britain's Intentions

U. P. A. adds:

Foreign Office sources today said that Britain had no intention of invoking the Anglo-Egyptian alliance because of the crossing of Egypt's frontiers by Jewish forces.

The Foreign Office spokesman discounted the report of the frontier crossing. He said that it was not considered here as a definite full-scale invasion but more likely a mistake or foolhardy action by patrol commander.

Information at the Foreign Office was that only an armed patrol had crossed the frontier.

IRAQUI FORCES RESUME FIGHTING

BAGDAD, Dec. 29 (Reuter)—The Iraqi Prime Minister announced today that Iraqi forces had resumed fighting in Palestine.

Prohibition In French India

PONDICHERRY, Dec. 29 (UPI): The Government of French India have accepted, in principle, the policy of prohibition and have accordingly proposed to introduce prohibition in Yanaon (West Godavari) and three talukas of Pondicherry settlement with effect from January 1, 1949, it was officially announced here today.

Five talukas in Pondicherry will still remain wet.

Prohibition has already been introduced in Karaikal and Mahe, it may be pointed out.

WORLD BANK LOAN TO INDIA

Fact-Finding Mission Likely To Visit Country

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29, (U.P.A.): The United Press of America learned on Tuesday of the possibility of a World Bank loan to India being considered here. A Bank spokesman said that there had been "informal conversations looking toward the possibility of seding a fact-finding mission to India".

Such a mission would be necessary preliminary to any formal loan discussions. The actual negotiations for a loan, therefore, are still many months away. Speculation that India might be due for a Bank loan was stirred up by the announcement on Monday that the International Monetary Fund has appointed a technical representative for the Far East with headquarters in Bombay. India is the only Far Eastern country which has participated in currency transactions with the Monetary Fund.

SARDAR PATEL AMONG MUSLIMS

Many Muslim residents of Pilani met Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel during his recent visit to that place.

DUTCH TO END WAR IN JAVA ON DEC. 31

Royen's Assurance To Security Council: India Complains Of Delaying Tactics

PARIS, DEC. 29 (REUTER)—M. JAN HERMAN VAN ROYEN, NETHERLANDS DELEGATE, TOLD THE SECURITY COUNCIL TONIGHT THAT "HOSTILITIES IN INDONESIA ARE IN COURSE OF BEING TERMINATED.

"IN ANY EVENT, HOSTILITIES IN JAVA WILL, AS FAR AS THE NETHERLANDS FORCES ARE CONCERNED, CEASE AT THE LATEST BY MIDNIGHT DECEMBER 31", HE ADDED.

"SPECIAL EMERGENCY SITUATION"

There was a "special emergency situation" in Sumatra where cessation of hostilities could not be effected until two or three days later.

"It will, of course, remain necessary to act against disturbing elements who, either individually or collectively, endanger public security or interfere with or prevent the supply of food and other essential commodities to the needy population" he stated.

M. Van Royen said the "restriction of movement" of certain Indonesian personalities would "shortly come to an end."

"To further constructive co-operation in the task of rebuilding the whole of Indonesia, the Netherlands Government has decided that the Prime Minister, Dr. Willem Drees, will leave for Indonesia in a few days", he added.

M. Van Royen said that all possible facilities would be granted to the military observers, their staff, and the members of the Consular Committee.

MURDER OF OFFICIALS

Mr. D. N. Palar, Indonesian Republican Representative, said he had just received a telegram from Singapore, which stated that the Secretary-General of the Republican Ministry of Education and the Secretary-General of the Republican Ministry of Information had been "murdered by the Dutch."

Mr. Palar continued: "You can understand the fears my delegation has for the leaders of the Republic who are held prisoners by the Dutch.

"Now, the Netherlands Government comes forward with a statement in complete defiance of the resolution of the Council.

THE REAL CONFLICT

"There is not only conflict between the Republic of Indonesia and the Netherlands. Much more serious is the clear conflict between the Security Council and the Netherlands."

BRITISH CONTENTION

Mr. Paul Falla, (United Kingdom) said his government would wish that none of the governments represented on the Council and certainly not that of the Netherlands should under-estimate the seriousness of the situation, especially those which had the privilege and not, as the Soviet Representative said, the disgrace of administering colonies.

"My Government believes that the Council should separate in the hope that the Netherlands Government will carry out the steps they have promised with particular regard to the undertaking of constitutional developments, and especially that they will allow the fullest freedom of movement to the Committee of Good Offices and Consular Committee.

INDIA SPEAKS.

Mr. D. B. Desai (India) said that if the resoluion of the Security Council was clear, the reply just given was equally clear. It rejected in the clearest terms what the Security Council had asked it to do.

"Let us analyse the position one step further. The Dutch Government

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GRAVE PROBLEM FOR BRITAIN

LONDON, December 29. (Reuter): A grave problem is created for Britain, which is bound under the 1936 alliance to give military aid to Egypt if that country is threatened with invasion.

So far, it is understood, Egypt has not asked for British help.

SOCIALIST PARTY EXECUTIVE MEET

LUCKNOW, Dec. 29 (UPI): The three-day session of the National Executive of the Socialist Party commenced its sitting at 3 this afternoon with Mr. Purushottamdas Trikumdas in the chair.

Prominent amongst those present were Acharya Narendra Deo, Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, Dr. K. B. Menon, Messrs Suresh Desai, Shibnath Banerjee, Ramnandan Misra, Ganga Saran Sinha and Ahmad Din and Seth Damodar Swarup Seth.

The "United Press of India" understands that the afternoon's session was mostly confined to reviewing the Party's development since the Mahabaleshwar meeting of the Executive in October last.

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, General Secretary of the Party, is also understood to have given a resume of the negotiations he had with the Railway Board and the Posts and Telegraphs Department of the Government of India on behalf of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation and the Posts and Telegraphs Employees' Association.

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain also posted the National Executive with the latest developments in the labour front culminating in the formation of the Hind Mazdoor Sabha at Calcutta recently.

A spokesman of the Socialist Party told the "United Press of India" that at tomorrow's meeting of the Executive the latest developments in Indonesia with particular reference to Dutch aggression and the Jaipur resolutions of the Congress will loom large.

The meeting adjourned at 7-30 p.m. and will resume its discussion tomorrow at 9-30 a.m. at the residence of Acharya Narendra Deo.

PRINCE ALY KHAN

LONDON, December 29, (Reuter): Prince Aly Khan, Rita Hayworth and her four-year old daughter left Croydon airport, Surrey, today in the Prince's private plane for Switzerland.

"KALIDINI MONSTER"

MOMBASA (Kenya), Dec. 29 (Reuter)—British seamen who spent Christmas in port here claimed today they had seen the "Kilinidi monster"—reported to have a head like a bull only larger, with ears or horns, and covered in scales.

1,400 WORKERS DISCHARGED

Nagpur Empress Groups' Action Sequel To Refusal To Work

NAGPUR, Dec. 29. (A.P.I.): Fourteen hundred textile workers employed in three textile mills of the Empress group were discharged by the management to-day.

This action followed the persistent refusal of the workers to work in accordance with the C. P. Industrial Tribunal's award relating to work allocation in the spinning section of the mill. The workers were on strike from December 16 last, with the result that all the five textile mills of the Empress group were closed during a period of twelve days, and the mill authorities had to declare a lock-out twice when workers failed to turn up for work even after due notice asking them to accept the Tribunal's final award and start work.

The mill management, in its notice of discharge to-day, informed the workers that they had not only not worked but failed to attend the inquiry held by the mill authorities on December 27 in the mill premises to ascertain the reasons for their failure to work.

Notice To Readers

Saturday next being New Year Day, the office of the "Bombay Chronicle" will remain closed on that day. The "Bombay Chronicle Weekly", without the news section, will, however, be available on Sunday, January 2.

VIETNAM MEDIATOR FOR PARIS

French Preparing For Return Of Bao Dai

PARIS, December 29. (Reuter): Mr. Phan Van Giao, Minister of State and Governor of Central Vietnam, left Saigon today for Paris on a mission entrusted to him by Gen. Nguyen Van Xuan, Prime Minister of the Central Vietnam Government, the France Press Agency reported from Saigon.

Mr. Phan Van Giao, who will stay about ten days in Paris is believed to be seeknig a settlement of differences within the Xuan Government, which is expected to resign on the return from France of Bao Dai, ex-Emperor of Annam.

Vietnamese circles pointed out that because of his attachment to Bao Dai and his position outside the Vietnamese political parties, Mr. Phan Van Giao was the right man to act as mediator, the agency added.

ATOMIC SECRETS

U. S. Commissions Plea For Reduction In Government Monopoly

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29, (Reuter): A "gradual reduction" in the Government monopoly of atomic secrets was urged on the United States Energy Commission by a special industrial advisory group here today.

For the immediate future, however, the group said that "a greatly expanded industrial participation" in atomic energy development was needed and called for the release and publication of a "wealth of non-secret data about atomic energy now buried in A. E. C. files".

New Set-Up For Saurashtra

JUNAGADH, Dec. 29 (API)—Mr. V. P. Menon, Political Adviser to the States Ministry, Government of India, at a meeting with Congress workers here today said that there would be a completely new set-up of the Saurashtra Union, when Junagadh joined it.

It was the aim of the States Ministry, he said, to integrate small states into bigger unions and no small state would suffer on account of such merger. He assured the people of Junagadh that their interests would be safeguarded in the new set-up of Saurashtra.

Praising the brave spirit of the people of Junagadh and the courage of the administration there, Mr. Menon said that the question of a capital for Saurashtra should be decided only by the Saurashtra Constituency Assembly.

A final decision about the merger of Junagadh into the Saurashtra Union will be taken today at a meeting of the members from Junagadh to Saurashtra Constituency Assembly, who will also discuss the constitutional set-up of Junagadh.

Mr. Shiveswarkar, Administrator and Mr. Samaldas Gandhi, Home Member, Junagadh Executive Council are leaving for Jamnagar tomorrow to participate in the discussions with the Jamsaheb of Nawanagar, Rajpramukh of Saurashtra, Mr. V. P. Menon and ministers of the Saurashtra Cabinet.

CHIANG'S BID FOR PEACE WITH REDS

Nationalists Face Defeat On All Fronts

LI TSUNG-JEN LIKELY TO LEAD GOVERNMENT

NANKING, DEC. 29 (REUTER): THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT, FACED BY MILITARY DEFEAT ON ALL FRONTS, WAS TODAY RELIABLY REPORTED SEEKING DIRECT PEACE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE COMMUNISTS.

CHIANG TO STEP DOWN

SIXTYTHREE-YEAR-OLD GENERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK, WHO HAS HELD ABSOLUTE POWER FOR OVER 25 YEARS, WAS BELIEVED READY TO STEP DOWN IN FAVOUR OF VICE-PRESIDENT LI TSUNG-JEN IF AND WHEN NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE COMMUNISTS GET UNDER WAY.

Reliable sources said the Government now wanted to open direct talks with the Communists after America and Russia had refused to take up Government hints at third-power mediation.

Britain and France were said to have adopted a reserved attitude.

CHIANG SUMMONS GOVERNORS

Provincial Governors and Government Military Commanders were gathering in Nanking today for a special conference summoned by Generalissimo Chiang.

Local reports say the question of a negotiated peace with the Communists will be discussed.

General Yen Hsi-Shan, Governor of Shansi, arrived from his beleaguered capital of Taiyuan yesterday and had a long interview with the Generalissimo. He was reported to have submitted his own proposals for opening direct negotiations to end the civil war.

General Hu Chung-Chan, Commander-in-Chief in Shensi, also arrived in Nanking yesterday and General Lu Han, Governor of Hunan, and T. V. Soong, Governor of Kwangtung, are expected tomorrow.

The Chinese Cabinet today unexpectedly appointed General Chen-Cheng, Chief of Staff during the Manchurian debacle, as Provincial Governor of Formosa (Taiwan) island.

Formosa has been mentioned as one of the places to which Generalissimo Chiang would take his Government if the communists over-ran south China.

PUBLIC DESIRE FOR PEACE IN THE OLD IMPERIAL CAPITAL OF PEIPING, BESIEGED BY COMMUNISTS, NATIONAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATES TODAY ISSUED A STATEMENT URGING THE GOVERNMENT TO "COMPLY WITH THE PUBLIC DESIRE FOR PEACE".

A Chinese National Aviation Corporation plane successfully landed on an improvised airstrip in Peipin's legation quarter, and may be followed by other. The city has been cut off by air.

WAR FRONTS

Government reports spoke of serious fighting with heavy caualties at a town midway between Tientsin, the other big North China city, and its seaport of Tangku. Government artillery shelled Communists south-west of Tientsin.

Communists were reported preparing for a "decisive battle" at Tangku, where rifle and gunfire was clearly audiable during the night.

Bombay Government's drive to enrich rural life —see page 10.

'INDIA SHOULD NOT REMAIN IN COMMONWEALTH"

Raja Mahendra Pratap's At Socialist Meeting

BOMBAY, Wednesday: "Free India should not remain in the British Commonwealth," said Raja Mahendra Pratap, the well-known revolutionary leader, speaking at a public meeting organised by the Socialist Party of Bombay at Khalsa College this evening.

Raja Mahendra Pratap thought that it was detrimental to India's interest if India chose to remain in the British Commonwealth even after the bitter experience of the past 150 year-old connection with Britain. He said that independence that had been achieved after so much sacrifice would be mock independence if the dream of Mahatma Gandhi could not be realised and if every citizen in this country did not feel that glow of freedom.

Raja Mahendra Pratap added that the labour in India should be liberated from the class of exploiters and only with the emancipation of working class in this country, real democracy would begin to function in India.

LAND REVENUE SUSPENDED

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 29 (API)—The Collector has ordered full suspension of land revenue in 32 villages of Dhanduka Taluka, 14 villages of Prantij Taluka, 103 villages of Viramgam Taluka and 29 villages of Sanand Mahal. He has ordered half suspension of land revenue in 53 villages of Prantij taluka and 6 villages of Sanand taluka.

DRIVE AGAINST TERRORISTS

Egyptian Premier's Move: Nokrashy Pasha Buried Alongside Mauer Pasha

CAIRO, December 29. (U.P.A.): The new Egyptian Government headed by Premier Ibrahim Abdel Hadi Pasha today launched an intense drive against terrorists in attempts to prevent future political assassinations.

A gun carriage moved slowly through central Cairo today carrying the remains of Premier Nokrashy Pasha to the Mausoleum built for former Premier Ahmed Mauer Pasha, assassinated in 1925. The bodies of the two murdered Premiers will lie side by side.

Closure Of Fuad 'Varsity

CAIRO, Dec. 28 (Reuter): The Egyptian Government tonight ordered that Fuad University, of whose medical faculty the Premier Nokrashy Pasha's alleged assassin was a member, should be closed down indefinitely.

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BOMBAY ASSEMBLY BYE-ELECTION

Keen Contest From Railway Union Constituency?

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A keen contest in the bye-election to the Bombay Legislative Assembly from the Railway Union Constituency is expected, as the third force, namely the Communist Party has boycotted the election. The seat was rendered vacant by the unseating of the Communist member Mr. Shivbishalsing Harpalsing owing to his continued absence.

Over 15,000 railway workers of the G.I.P., B.B. and C.I., and M.S.M. Railway will form the electorate in the primary election on January 22 for electing an electoral college of 73 delegates.

No contest is expected from the G.I.P. Railwaymen's Union as only 24 nominations. Which is the authorised number, have been received by the Returning Officer. From the B.B. and C.I. Employees' Union 29 nominations have been received for 14 delegates while an equal number has been sent by B.B. and C.I. Railwaymen's Union for 21 seats.

The final election to the Assembly will be held by the middle of February.

RUSSIA TO OPEN TRADE OFFICE IN ITALY

ROME, Dec. 29 (UPA): Italy today gave Russia permission to open the first trade offices in this country since pre-war.

Russia will establish office in Genoa, Milan and Naples to make direct contact with Italian industrialists for trade under the recent Italian-Russian trade agreement.

Government quarters said the political and economic negotiations, under way with Yugoslavia, may develop the closest relations between any west European nation and one of the Communist bloc.